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## AN EXTRAORDINARY PLACE



JOSEPHINE Farrugia and her daughter Sophie Jarman, 11, are pictured at St Joseph's Hospice. Josephine, who was admitted as an inpatient after a long hospital stay following surgery, now attends the day hospice. Read our special feature on St Joseph's on pages 18 & 19.

BY MEHREEN HUSSAIN

**AS residents steel themselves for spiralling winter fuel bills, the council is urging them to save costs and sign up to the borough's energy co-op.**

T.H.E. Community Power was launched last year – one of the first such schemes in the UK – to provide cheaper energy and to help residents out of fuel poverty.

Since then it has joined the London-wide campaign, the Big London Energy Switch, which represents more than 26,000 households in the capital.

The scheme uses an auction system where energy companies put forward their most competitive rates.

The winning bids from the last auction in April, meant that households across London saw an average saving of £122 per year on their energy bills if they decided to switch provider.

The recent hike in energy prices means it is becoming increasingly important for people to ensure they are getting the best value out of their energy providers.

Residents now have another chance to save when UK's biggest

energy companies take part in the next Big London Energy Switch auction on November 19.

The major energy companies will bid to supply households with the cheapest energy.

Once the auction is over, the winning supplier will offer the lowest possible price to residents who will be able to switch to this bespoke price if they wish.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "We are trying our best to ensure residents can get the lowest prices possible."

"The upcoming auction is another chance for residents to

take part in this fantastic scheme which could make a huge difference to their household energy bills."

To take part, you must register for the auction by November 18, at [www.biglondonenergyswitch.com](http://www.biglondonenergyswitch.com) or by calling freephone 0800 5088364.

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# Step-free guide to Mile End Park

Mile End Park has produced a set of maps to provide a step-free journey to assist visitors with disabilities. The enabled maps offer a step-free route from Mile End station to the Children's Park.

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK/PARKS

# Park is pick of the crop

BY RAJU MIAH

**MORE than 100 children and parents helped harvest the bumper crop of fresh vegetables, which had been cultivated in Mile End Park growing zone.**

Youngsters had the chance to learn how to cultivate fruit and vegetables before picking and preparing the ingredients for a healthy snack at the Soup Day on October 20.

The growing zone has become a regular attraction, producing crops that can be used in a wide range of products, such as jams, soups and salads, in a fun and creative environment.

Eleven-year-old Krystal said: "I thought the day was fun for me and my brothers and sisters. We all enjoyed making soup as a family and I had a giggle."

Her mum added: "We enjoyed the time spent today. My children enjoyed cooking and learning about the different vegetables and making a home-made soup."

The event gave young people the chance to create their own yummy creations, chopping and blending ingredients at Beth's Kitchen in the children's play park.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman, said: "The Mile End Park growing zone is a fantastic place for children to learn and experiment with fruit and vegetables. I'm really pleased the event has been popular amongst our families and look forward to seeing more families take part in future events."

For more information or to



register your interest for future events at the Mile End Park email paul.sammut@towerhamlets.gov.uk

(Left) Beatriz, Jose, Ivy and Helene joined the soupy fun

(Left, l-r) 9-year-old Lorenzo with his carrots; Giuliano, 8, shows off some of the park's tomato crop

(Below) Krystal, 12, came to the event with her family



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## Still time to make the pledge

It's not too late to join the 800 residents who have signed up to the Stoptober pledge to quit smoking. Speak to your pharmacist or GP for advice, or visit the website at...

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## Decade of fundraising

Some £2.4 million has been raised since the Islamic Relief charity week began ten years ago in London.

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THE big red Stoptober wheel was rolled along Whitechapel High Street with the help of local stop smoking advisers as part of the campaign encouraging people to quit.

More than 800 residents have signed up to stop smoking services since the launch of the campaign on October 1, with the help of staff from the council, Barts Health NHS Trust, the Bangladeshi Stop Tobacco Project and community health organisations.

Tyson Munroe, owner of Tyson's Kitchen in Roman Road, said he was helped by the campaign to quit, after smoking for 24 years.

He said: "I recommend the service to anyone who wants to give up – it's that additional support that helps."

Visit [www.smokefree.nhs.uk/stoptober](http://www.smokefree.nhs.uk/stoptober) to take the pledge or ask your pharmacist or GP for advice.



### News in brief

#### CCTV attack: man is charged

A MAN has been charged after police released CCTV footage of a gang attack in Stepney in June of an American student.

Shelim Uddin, aged 20, of Romford Street, Aldgate, was charged on Thursday, October 24 with grievous bodily harm and remanded in custody to appear at Thames Magistrates' Court on October 25.

Police are continuing enquiries to trace all the men involved in the assault, in Commercial Road on June 17.

#### Firefighters to strike

FIREFIGHTERS are set to go on strike in November after the Fire Brigades Union announced further action in a dispute over proposed changes to pensions.

The times and dates announced are Friday, November 1 from 6.30-11pm and Monday, November 4 between 6-8am.

London Fire Commissioner Ron Dobson said 27 engines would be based at strategic points across the capital during the strikes.

#### Number 10 invite

REPRESENTATIVES from Mildmay, a charity in Bethnal Green, which has provided HIV care for 25 years, attended a reception at 10 Downing Street last week.

# Coroner's call for cycle safety

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

**A REPORT calling for urgent action to prevent any more cyclists being killed on London's roads, has been sent to the mayor of London and Transport for London.**

Written by coroner Mary Hassell, the report follows investigations into the deaths of Brian Dorling and Philippine de

Gerin-Ricard, who died in separate accidents in Tower Hamlets. The coroner sat at both inquests, which were held at Poplar Coroner's Court two weeks ago.

Mr Dorling and Ms de Gerin-Ricard both died when the bicycles they were riding were hit by heavy goods vehicles.

Ms Hassell gave a narrative verdict in the case of Mr Dorling, who was killed at Bow round-

about in October 2011, and she said Ms de Gerin-Ricard died in an "appalling accident" with a lorry at Aldgate in July this year.

Both were cycling on Cycle Super Highway 2, which runs between Aldgate and Stratford.

Ms de Gerin-Ricard was the first person to die riding a Boris bike from the Barclays Cycle Hire scheme.

In her report, Ms Hassell raised concerns about "confus-

ing" unbordered blue strips on cycle super highways.

"Cyclists wrongly assume (as Mr Dorling may have done) that they have priority, and are lulled into a false sense of security," she wrote.

"Cyclists believe they have to ride on the blue strips, which may not be the correct position to assume in particular circumstances, most particularly when going round a roundabout."

Ms Hassell also called for more awareness among cyclists and motorists about safer riding techniques.

The coroner called for innovative solutions to be considered, such as a cycle alert system, where an HGV is fitted with a sensor that detects the presence of a bicycle.

She has asked for a response, with details of action taken or proposed, by December 16.

## Students to raise funds

**STUDENTS from Queen Mary, University of London in Mile End and Mulberry School for Girls in Stepney are among those taking part in a fortnight of fundraising.**

Supported by charity Islamic Relief, the week's aim is to unite students in educational institutions across the UK, in support of orphans and needy children.

Events this week include fashion shows, a masquerade party, a football tournament and cake sales hosted by Queen Mary.

For further information and ways to donate visit [www.onecharityweek.com](http://www.onecharityweek.com)

## Vicar leaves after 18 years



Rev Ross with Dr Rowan Williams

**A VICAR who is retiring after 18 years of service at St Paul's Church, Bow Common, celebrated his last mass at the church on Sunday, October 27.**

The Rev Duncan Ross joined the church in 1995 and has become a popular figure in the community, building a congregation with people of all ages.

He has also worked closely with schools, housing and community organisations and the Tower Hamlets interfaith group.

Over the years, Rev Ross has supported the St Paul's Way Transformation Project, helped establish Stepney City Farm and

was instrumental in art exhibitions and community activities.

The retired Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Rowan Williams, who was his tutor at theological college in Cambridge and who preached at his first mass at St Dunstan's Stepney in 1979, returned to preach at St Paul's, Bow Common on October 13.

Church wardens Julian Bream and Sally Sigmund said: "Duncan's friendly smile is well known all round the parish, up and down St Paul's Way.

"He will be much missed by many people, some of whom have known him since they were born."

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## Don't let your kids buy e-cigarettes

Parents or carers of under-18s should not allow children to buy or use e-cigarettes or e-shisha, and schools should actively discourage their use due to these safety concerns.

TRADING STANDARDS ADVICE, SEE BELOW

### News

# E-cig harm warning

Some products may contain solvents and chemicals

BY SARAH MCLAUGHLIN

**TRADING standards officers are warning about the safety of some electronic cigarette and shisha products that are on sale in Tower Hamlets.**

E-cigarette and e-shisha devices are increasingly available and the council is issuing advice on their safety and legality.

The concerns relate to the chemicals they contain and also to the electrical safety of the devices, including any chargers supplied with them.

Businesses dealing in such items are responsible for their safety and could be held liable for any death or injury occurring as a result of selling a dangerous product.

The trading standards team said that



many aspects of the products were currently unregulated and it was therefore uncertain that they were safe to use.

For example, some products have an e-liquid containing nicotine, which is a powerful poison and should be kept well away from children. Many products do not have to carry the statutory labels warning of the presence of nicotine.

E-cigarettes and e-shisha products both consist of devices that vaporise a liquid containing a solvent, chemical flavourings and/or nicotine.

The vaporisation is achieved by a heater element which may be powered by a disposable or re-chargeable bat-

tery – these should comply with safety and labelling regulations, and with electrical product safety regulation if they come with a mains charger.

Deputy Mayor Cllr Ohid Ahmed said: "Residents who want to use these products should be particularly vigilant and ensure they are purchasing only products that are labelled correctly. Businesses have a duty to ensure they only sell lawful products and our trading standards team are here to help where it is needed."

For further information contact the trading standards team on [tradingstandards@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:tradingstandards@towerhamlets.gov.uk) or phone 7364 5008.



Dionne, Jamie, Mohammed and Pat serve up a feast

THE Day Opportunities service at the Redcoat Centre in Stepney Green held an open day for people to see the support they can offer.

The council-run day service is designed for adults with physical and/or sensory disabilities who meet the Fair Access to Care eligibility criteria. It offers rehabilitation and social activities with a focus on enabling people with disabilities to retain their independence. The open day on October 18 provided the opportunity for anyone who can make referrals to have a look at the benefits of attending the centre as well as the opportunities it can provide. To find out more about the centre and if it could benefit someone you know call 7364 6603.

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## Remember, remember

Enjoy the fireworks season at the council display at Weavers Fields on Sunday, November 3 from 6.30pm. There will be extensive road closures and parking suspensions in the area.

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## Did you know...

Fireworks for private use should only be sold by registered sellers who are limited to the dates they can sell them.

### News

## Nick Clegg goes back to school

**DEPUTY Prime Minister Nick Clegg chose Morpeth School in Bethnal Green to make a keynote speech last week.**

Widely trailed beforehand, Mr Clegg spoke about the need for free schools and academies to follow the national curriculum.

He also called for a 'champions league' of school leaders who could be drafted in to work in areas of the country where pupils are not making sufficient progress.

During his visit he met some of the pupils and attended a

geography class where students were discussing issues around international aid.

Head teacher Jemima Reilly said she was pleased that Tower Hamlets had been chosen as the venue for Mr Clegg's speech.

"I think it's testament to the work of Tower Hamlets' teachers and leaders, to the fact that despite the high levels of deprivation experienced by many families within the borough, we were the fourth highest achieving borough in Inner London last year in terms of GCSE results," she said.



### News in brief

#### Man jailed for theft

A MAN who broke into eight Docklands Light Railway (DLR) ticket machines in a month has been jailed for 16 months.

Tomas Kemeklis, 28, of South Esk Road, Newham, appeared at Snaresbrook Crown Court on October 17 when he admitted three counts of attempted theft and five counts of theft.

The court heard he used a blow torch to get into the machines early in the morning between August 27 and September 25 last year, causing over £16,000 worth of damage at stations including Blackwall, Poplar, Limehouse and Tower Gateway.

#### St Joseph's jumble

ST Joseph's Hospice holds its Christmas bazaar on Saturday, November 16 at Netil House, 1 Westgate Street, E8.

# Annual event will go with a bang

BY RAJU MIAH

**THE council will once again be lighting up the sky with a spectacular fireworks display on Sunday, November 3.**

The annual family event is being held at Weavers Fields, Bethnal Green, beginning at approximately 6.30pm with a burst of colour and a vibrant soundtrack.

Light refreshments will be on sale in the park to complement the glittering visuals and residents are encouraged to arrive

in good time for a prompt start.

Cabinet member for culture, Cllr Rania Khan, said: "The fireworks will brighten up the skies and provide a magnificent audio-visual display. I encourage families and friends to attend."

A viewing platform at the entrance to Weavers Fields on Mape Street, near the junction of Chester Street, will be available to those with accessibility requirements. Stewards will be on site to assist with directions and how to access the platform.

The council advises people with specific accessible require-

ments to arrive before 6pm but due to the extensive road closures and parking suspensions, accessible parking is not provided.

Full details of the planned road closures and accessibility can be found on the council website.

For more information visit [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/arts](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/arts) or call 7364 7900.

Personal fireworks and sparklers will not be permitted on to Weavers Fields and residents are advised to leave pets at home.

## Enjoy the fireworks, but be safe

THE council is working with the police and London Fire Brigade to ensure residents have a safe and enjoyable fireworks season.

Fireworks play a big part in celebrations and with bonfire night and Diwali around the corner, residents are reminded to be safe when using fireworks and ensure that they only buy from traders who are licensed to sell such products.

During this time it is more likely that rubbish bags, recycling boxes and bulk rubbish items will be used as fuel for a fire so avoid leaving items outside your front door, in communal areas or outside bin rooms.



If you see people acting antisocially with fireworks you can report them to the police on 101 (non-emergency) or 999 (emergency).

If you are planning your own garden fireworks display this year, make sure the fireworks you buy are marked with BS 7114 or have a CE mark on the box. Follow the instructions on each

firework. Have a bucket of water to put used sparklers in, as well as eye protection and gloves.

Council officers are working with the police to check that shops selling fireworks are doing so responsibly and with the correct licenses.

Fireworks cannot be sold to anyone under the age of 18; there is a penalty of £80 for those caught selling fireworks to people underage.

If you think a shop is unregistered, selling fireworks when they shouldn't or selling to underage residents contact the council on 7364 5008.

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## News from the Mayor

### Battle rising bills

**AS autumn turns to winter, households across the borough are receiving letters from utility firms about rising fuel bills.**

This has resulted in some intense public debate, and rightly so. The ability to keep warm is a basic human right and for the UK to have one of the highest death rates in Europe from the cold is a national scandal.

I have tried to find ways to minimise the impact of austerity on local households and that is why we have backed the idea of an energy co-op. Do sign up – it could really bring down fuel costs for us all.

This week saw the community language achievement awards where we celebrated young people who had obtained excellent grades in a second language.

London is an economic powerhouse and young people with additional languages will have an extra string to their bow as they embark on their careers.

Young people these days need as much help as they can to get on and I was pleased to see 818 applications to the Mayor's Higher Education Award scheme.



**LUTFUR RAHMAN** MAYOR OF TOWER HAMLETS

With the Deputy Mayor I have started a series of community safety walkabouts with the police to listen to resident concerns about crime. Dates will be promoted on the council's website and in the media.

This week has also seen the launch of a new app – Find it, Fix it, Love it. For those with access to a smart phone it can be a quick and easy way to report rubbish, graffiti or fly tipping.

On Sunday, November 3 we will be hosting a fireworks display at Weavers Fields. I hope many of you will enjoy what promises to be a dazzling event.

Finally, I would like to wish a happy Diwali to those of you celebrating the festival of lights.

**Mayor Lutfur Rahman**



# Outstanding language students recognised

BY RAJU MIAH

**OUTSTANDING** students receiving grades A and A\* in their early GCSE or A levels joined Mayor Lutfur Rahman at a special ceremony to recognise their achievements last week.

More than 80 students aged 11-14 took their exams early in Bengali, Chinese, Urdu or Arabic this year and achieved fantastic results, with 92 per cent of them obtaining a grade A\*-C.

All those taking either GCSE or A level Chinese passed and there was a 97 per cent pass rate in Bengali, 94 per cent in Arabic and 75 per cent in Urdu.

The students were joined at the celebration, held at Idea Store Whitechapel last Monday, by their parents and teachers.

Mayor Rahman congratulated each of them, presenting them with a certificate and a small gift.

"These fantastic results are



Tutors Nassima Khalfi and Dunia Wasman, and student Thasmiah Khanom with Mayor Rahman

down to the hard work of the children and all those who have supported them," he said.

"I am confident we will continue to provide excellent support and resources to young people in order for them to achieve top marks."

The council supports children every year to learn a range

of community languages.

Arabic tutor Dunia Wasman, who teaches both GCSE and A level classes at Idea Stores, said: "All the young people are eager to study and are very interested in the language. They have been getting a lot of support and I am very proud of their grades."

Cabinet member for children's

services Cllr Oliur Rahman said: "Learning a community language provides a strong foundation for further learning. I am very pleased with the grades our young people attained."

For more information, call the community languages service on 7364 6373 or email [jamal.uddin@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:jamal.uddin@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

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**LUTFUR RAHMAN** MAYOR OF TOWER HAMLETS

## My diary

**Monday, October 21**

I attended the GCSE/A level celebration at Idea Store Whitechapel. I want to congratulate the students who completed their language exams early this year. I also attended the launch of A Season of Bangla Drama, one of our flagship

cultural events, which celebrates new writing and promotes the wealth of talent we have in the borough.

**Tuesday, October 22**

I was delighted to join residents at the Bancroft and Cleveland Estate lunch club. The lunch was fantastic and I enjoyed their company; initiatives like this are important for our residents. In the evening I attended the annual

staff awards at the Ecology Pavilion in Mile End. The event recognised the great work council staff are doing to ensure the best service is provided to residents.

**Thursday, October 31**

I will be holding my regular weekly surgery at Idea Store Whitechapel. If you have concerns or issues you would like to discuss with me personally, contact my office and arrange an appointment.

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## 800 apply to new university grant scheme

**THE council's new bursary scheme for university students, the first of its kind in the country, has been met with an overwhelming response.**

The application period for the Mayor's Higher Education Award has now closed. In total, 818 applications were received for the 400 grants available.

The award, aimed at helping

students as they start university, is initially funded for two years. In the wake of the overwhelming demand, Mayor Lutfur Rahman pledged to review whether more grants could be distributed in future years.

"I am pleased and concerned in equal measure at the phenomenal demand for the Mayor's Higher Education Award: pleased because we

have introduced a scheme that is offering vital help within our community; and concerned because the sheer number of people seeking financial help lays bare how severely the Government's policies have hit students in the pocket," he said.

Tower Hamlets was the first council in the country to launch a higher education grant programme of this scale.





## Enjoy the drama

A Season of Bangla Drama explores multiple themes, while new twists are given to literary classics, such as Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest* and Tagore's tale *Unsung*.

MORE DETAILS IN NEXT WEEK'S EAST END LIFE

## Find out what's on

A guide to free activities in the borough this October half-term, is available in Idea Stores, libraries and council offices.

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## News



AN evening full of inspiration and creativity marked the opening of A Season of Bangla Drama 2013.

Back for its 11th year, the drama festival will once again showcase productions in venues across the borough from November 2-24. The festival provides a platform for Bengali culture and emerging new talent in Tower Hamlets.

A selection of plays, seminars and talks will be on offer as well as an exhibition.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "A Season of Bangla Drama has grown in popularity and, is a vibrant celebration of local talent.

"We have a fantastic line-up of theatrical productions this year which are both

innovative and relevant and have been made possible thanks to the loyal help of all our supporters."

Zakir Khan, head of community affairs at Canary Wharf Group, said the company was delighted to be associated with the festival: "I attended a number of productions last year and was very impressed with the quality of the performances – I am very much looking forward to this season."

The festival is organised by the council and is supported by Canary Wharf Group and the Bangladesh High Commission.

For more information visit [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/arts](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/arts) or call the box office on 7364 7900.

## Shops invited to ditch strong beer

**OFF-licences in Brick Lane and Whitechapel will be asked to remove 'super strength' lager from their shelves as part of a pilot scheme to reduce alcohol-related anti-social behaviour in the area.**

The move comes as part of the Reduce the Strength campaign, launched this month by the council, the Met Police and homelessness charity Thames Reach.

The campaign seeks to tackle both the root causes of alcohol-related crime, and its harmful effects.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said Tower Hamlets attracted many visitors, but their visits were sometimes marred "by the

troubling presence of street drinkers and people begging for money to spend on drugs and alcohol".

Deputy Mayor Cllr Ohid Ahmed said: "This campaign highlights the dangers of super strength lagers, and encourages retailers to sign up to a voluntary agreement that they will not sell these products."

Super strength lagers, which have over 6.5% alcohol content, are strongly linked to anti-social behaviour and alcohol-related crime, and are known to cause serious health complaints.

A 500ml can of 9% lager contains four and half units of alcohol, exceeding the government's recommended daily amount for men and women.

### News in brief

#### Fire damages flat

FIRE crews tackled a blaze in a flat in Ramsey Street, Bethnal Green on Tuesday, October 22.

The fire damaged part of the flat, but no one was hurt.

Fire engines from Shoreditch, Shadwell and Bethnal Green attended the scene. Fourteen fire-fighters put out the flame in less than half an hour.

#### Bereavement help

A NEW project is starting this week to give people who have recently been bereaved an opportunity to create and sustain a container garden.

As well as getting outside and working with plants, they can relax and take their mind off their grief.

The community health project will be held at Christ Church, Manchester Road, Isle of Dogs on Tuesday, October 29 at 3pm.

# Be a part of One Borough event

BY RAJU MIAH

**YOUNG people are invited to an event at Mile End Stadium this week, organised by the Young Mayor and his team.**

One Borough, on Tuesday, October 29 from 11am-4pm, will celebrate the culture and diversity in Tower Hamlets, with sport activities, competitions and henna painting.

Live performances on the day will be combined with a cultural bazaar and food.

Young Mayor Mahdi Alam said: "This event is for you.

"It's a chance to celebrate our community and diversity as well as having a day of fun things to do."

Mayor's Activities for Young People (MAYP) Programme

October Half-term activities brochure



28 October 2 - November 2013

**Mahdi Alam**

A variety of events is also scheduled for half-term, as part of the Mayor's Activities for Young People.

They are all free and many of them offer accreditations, which can be useful for youngsters

trying to find work or get into further or higher education.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman, said: "The One Borough event has been organised by young people for young people. We have a selection of events being delivered by a range of individuals and I encourage our young people to take advantage of what we are offering."

Cllr Oliur Rahman, cabinet member for children's services, added: "With so many activities to choose from young people are spoilt for choice this half-term."

For more information, call the integrated youth and community services team on 7364 4019 or visit [www.amp.uk.net](http://www.amp.uk.net)

For more half-term fun, see page 10.



walk the plank

Tower Hamlets Council Presents

# Weavers Fields

# FIREWORKS

# DISPLAY

6.30pm

Sunday 3rd November 2013

Weavers Fields E2

[www.towerhamlets.gov.uk](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk)

Light refreshments will be on sale.

**FREE**  
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LUTFUR RAHMAN MAYOR OF TOWER HAMLETS





## Barriers faced by disabled people



The United Nations says social and economic barriers make disabled people invisible – we're experiencing more discrimination, worse access to jobs and greater poverty than other groups.

SEE BELOW

### Useful information

# Keeping it Real

**News from disability organisation Real**

**LAST month, the United Nations held a large meeting to discuss disability and global development. It agreed that the potential of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities had yet to be realised.**

The meeting recognised that, in our neighbourhoods and cities, throughout the UK and around the world, disabled people continue to face physical, social, economic and attitude barriers that stop us from being truly equal.

The United Nations says these barriers make us invisible, yet at the same time we're experiencing more discrimination, worse access to education and jobs, and far greater poverty than any other group.

We need to raise our voices, to be more visible and to make change happen so that we no longer experience this inequality.

### Join Local Voices

Even though the UN is a large organisation, a long way from here, many of the UN's concerns are relevant to Tower Hamlets – including the need to fight poverty, protect essential social services and ensure disabled people have influence over the decisions that affect our lives.

These three themes were a big part of the Local Voices event in October – where disabled people and the council came together to share their concerns and ideas for how we can protect and support each other.

These ideas are being turned into an action plan, and the Local Voices network will be working with the council to make the improvements in the plan.

If you're interested in helping make the borough better for disabled people, then join the network. You can get involved over the phone, by email or by coming to meetings.

If you'd like more information,

call 7001 2175, email [voices@real.org.uk](mailto:voices@real.org.uk) or visit [www.real.org.uk/LocalVoices](http://www.real.org.uk/LocalVoices)

### Come to Rights for Real Life

The United Nations has decided this year's theme for International Day of Disabled People is 'break barriers, open doors'.

Our celebration and conference on December 3 will break barriers and open doors by:

■ providing advice and information about local services and groups;

■ sharing hints and tips for dealing with benefit cuts and welfare reform;

■ designing a local disabled people's manifesto.

**Rights for Real Life conference and party Tuesday, December 3, 10.30am – 3.30pm Real, Jack Dash House, 2 Lawn House Close, E14 9YQ.**

We're making the event as accessible as possible, including having BSL interpreters.

For more details, call 7001 2175, email [get.involved@real.org.uk](mailto:get.involved@real.org.uk) or visit [www.real.org.uk/IDODP](http://www.real.org.uk/IDODP)

### Become a member of Real

Real is an organisation led by and for disabled people in Tower Hamlets. We've been challenging inequality and discrimination and connecting disabled people with the help and support they need for over twenty years.

As times get tougher for disabled people, we need your help to do more. By becoming a member of Real you'll be supporting a diverse and dynamic organisation to make a difference in your community.

We work with everyone who shares our goals and membership is free. So, if you believe in giving disabled people a stronger voice, then join us.

If you'd like to join, call 7001 2175, email [get.involved@real.org.uk](mailto:get.involved@real.org.uk) or visit [www.real.org.uk/members](http://www.real.org.uk/members)

**By Mike Smith, Real chief executive**

### Chemist rota

**Pharmacists in Tower Hamlets with extended opening hours.**

#### E1

**ABC Drug Stores**, 12-14 Montague Street: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5.30pm, Sun 10am-2.30pm.

**Beck & Sherman**, 197 Whitechapel Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5.30pm, bank holidays 11am-1pm.

**Sainsbury's**, The Albion Brewery: Mon-Fri 8.30am-10pm, Sat 7.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-5pm.

**Chapel**, 139 Cannon Street:

Mon-Fri 9am-8pm, Sat 9am-6pm.

#### E2

**Fairdale**, 360 Bethnal Green Road: Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri 9am-6.30pm, Thurs 9am-1pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.

**Florida**, 307 Bethnal Green Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.

#### E3

**Bell**, 534 Roman Road: Mon-Sat 7am-11pm, Sun 10am-2pm.

**Forward**, 648 Mile End Road:

Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun and bank holidays 10am-6pm.

**Green Light**, St Andrew's Health Centre, 2 Hannaford Walk: 8am-8pm, seven days a week, including bank holidays.

**Lincoln**, 60 St Paul's Way: Mon, Tues, Weds 8am-8pm, Thurs, Fri, 8am-8pm, Sat 9am-5pm.

**Tesco**, Hancock Road: Mon 8am-10.30pm, Tues-Fri 6.30am-10.30pm, Sat 6.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-4pm.

#### E14

**Boots**, Unit 15, Jubilee Place: Mon-Fri 7am-midnight, Sat

9am-6pm, Sun 12pm-6pm. **Britannia (Perimart)**, Asda Precinct, East Ferry Road: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm, Sun 11am-4pm, bank holidays 11am-6pm.

### Doctors

**Please ring your doctor's surgery for an appointment, but if it's the weekend or late at night, call 7377 7151 (only for people in Tower Hamlets who are registered with a doctor).**

**To find a doctor, dentist or help to quit smoking call the health hotline on 7364 5016, Mon-Fri 8am-8pm and Sat 8am-4pm.**

### Advice

**Family Information Service (FIS)**

The Family Information Service provides information for people from birth to age 19 (or 25 for those with additional needs) including helping parents and carers find high quality childcare, advice on tax credits and childcare vouchers. Open Mon-Fri, 8am-6pm. Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14. [fis@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:fis@towerhamlets.gov.uk) 7364 6495

**Tower Hamlets Home Birth Support Group**

Last Thurs of each month, 8pm. 31 Ridgale Street, E3. 8981 1159

**Parents Advice Centre (PAC)**

Offers impartial advice around special educational needs (SEN). 30 Greatorex Street, E1. Drop-in sessions every Tues, 9.30am-3.30pm & Fri, 9.30am-1pm. 7364 6489

**LinkAge Plus**

Toynbee Hall is one of five network centres that co-ordinates services and activities provided. Mon-Fri from 9am-5pm, drop-in session for advice on benefits, pensions, employment and housing. Appointments necessary. Mon 9am-5pm, Bangladeshi group. Toynbee Hall, Commercial Street, E1. 7392 2914 [www.toynbeehall.org.uk](http://www.toynbeehall.org.uk)

### Welfare advice

**All the organisations listed below can help you with welfare benefits, housing and general debt problems.**

**Account 3**

Free confidential community advice service. 1-9 Birkbeck Street, E2. 7739 7720 [www.account3.org.uk](http://www.account3.org.uk)

**Bangladesh Youth Movement**

21-23 Henriques St, E1. 7488 1831/2

**Bromley by Bow Centre**

St Leonard's Street, E3. 8709 9737 [www.bbbc.org.uk](http://www.bbbc.org.uk)

**Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)**

32 Greatorex Street, E1. 7247 1050 [www.adviceguide.org.uk](http://www.adviceguide.org.uk)

**Island Advice Centre**

Island House, Roserton Street, Isle of Dogs, E14. 7987 9379 [www.island-advice.org.uk](http://www.island-advice.org.uk)

**Legal Advice Centre**

University House, 104 Roman Road, E2. 8980 4205 [www.legaladvicecentre.org.uk](http://www.legaladvicecentre.org.uk)

**Limehouse Project**

Cheadle Hall, Cheadle House, Copenhagen Place, E14. 7538 0075 [www.limehouseproject.org.uk](http://www.limehouseproject.org.uk)

**Praxis (New Residents Service)**

Pott Street, E2. 7729 7985 [www.praxis.org.uk](http://www.praxis.org.uk)

**Tower Hamlets Law Centre**

(specialist advice by appointment and evening legal advice sessions). 214 Whitechapel Road, E1. 7247 8998 [www.thlc.co.uk](http://www.thlc.co.uk)

### Debt advice

**Toynbee Hall Advice Service**

28 Commercial Street, E1. 7392 2953 [advice@toynbeehall.org.uk](mailto:advice@toynbeehall.org.uk) [www.toynbeehall.org.uk](http://www.toynbeehall.org.uk)

**Fair Money Advice**

530 Commercial Road, E1. 7702 8032 [www.fairfinance.org.uk](http://www.fairfinance.org.uk)

**Island Advice Centre**

Island House, Roserton Street Isle of Dogs, E14. 7987 9379 [www.island-advice.org.uk](http://www.island-advice.org.uk)

**National Debt line**

0808 808 4000 [www.nationaldebttline.co.uk](http://www.nationaldebttline.co.uk)

**Step Change Debt Charity**

0800 138 111 [www.stepchange.org](http://www.stepchange.org)



## Photo order form

Copies of pictures published in East End Life taken by council photographers are available to readers. To request a copy, email [eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk) and we can send it straight away. If you do not have access to email fill in this form and send it to Photos, East End Life, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG. This service does take longer.

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## A unique picture of a borough we love

“The reporting side of the app will enable us to efficiently and effectively deal with problems. I encourage residents to help with reporting issues as we can’t be in all places at all times.”

CLLR SHAHED ALI

## Independence services

Tower Hamlets is one of seven councils challenging the mayor of London’s decision to close ten fire stations.

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### News

# Landlady bids to save Stepney’s nightclub

## A PUB landlady has launched a campaign to save a well-known nightclub from demolition.

Pauline Forster, of the George Tavern in Stepney, is holding an exhibition as part of the London Frieze Art Festival to raise funds to buy Stepney’s Nightclub, to create a community arts centre.

The club in Commercial Road has the only remaining light-up dance floor of its kind in London and was the setting

for the Common People video by Brit Pop band Pulp.

Ms Forster’s plans include using Stepney’s as a multi-functional venue for musical events, exhibition space for artists, a performance space for theatre groups, dance space and private hire.

The landlady, who is also an artist, says she has been campaigning for eight years against the venue being turned into office space by Swan Housing.

“This would be such a tremendous loss

to the local community, it could be a fantastic space for so many different creative people – something that is clearly lacking in the surrounding area,” she told East End Life.

Photographs in the exhibition include images of an art performance telling a story of mortality, which are reminiscent of pictures from Hiroshima and Pompeii.

The exhibition, which runs until October 31, will be held on the three storeys above the George Tavern, which

is next door to the nightclub. To visit call 7790 7335.

After the showcase, prints will be sold with proceeds going towards the Save Stepney’s Nightclub fund.

A spokeswoman for Swan Housing said: “The redevelopment of Stepney’s Nightclub is an important part of regeneration plans for this area.

“The final details of any scheme will not be available until the planning process is concluded.”

# App’s the way to do it!

## Smart phone solution to litter problems

BY SARAH MCLAUGHLIN

## AN innovative smart phone app is the latest tool in the council’s armoury to further improve the appearance and maintenance of the borough.

The Find it, Fix it, Love it app has been launched as part of the council’s commitment to making Tower Hamlets an even cleaner and safer place to live, work or visit – and will enable users to share what they love about the borough.

The council wants people to use the app to send pictures and share their thoughts of the many great aspects of the borough; anything from a special place or landmark to a quirky shop or local character.

Residents and visitors can also instantly tell the council about any issues that need addressing such as graffiti, fly tip-

ping, broken play equipment, pot holes or overflowing bins.

Users simply take a picture of a problem and the app will pinpoint their location and send the details directly to the council’s environmental contractors, ensuring that problems are dealt with swiftly.

The app also allows residents to highlight specific areas on the image or send comments and contact details if they want feedback, but this is optional, making the process very quick and simple.

Launching the app, Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: “Find it, Fix it, Love it is simple to use and an innovative reporting approach for issues. The app will also be great for showing what people love about the borough. There are so many good things in Tower Hamlets and it will be fascinating to see what people think are our hidden gems.”

Cllr Shahed Ali, cabinet member for the environment, added: “The reporting side of the app will enable us to efficiently and effectively deal with problems. I encourage residents to help with reporting issues as we can’t be in all places at all times.”

Jamie Blake, head of public realm, said: “Find it, Fix it, Love it has been developed to meet the reporting needs of the mobile generation. The app is unique as it focuses on the positives of the borough whilst also allowing users to report problems that may occur.”

The app has proved popular during the pilot phase with over 100 reports being made to date.

Download the Find it, Fix it, Love it app for free at the Apple App Store or via Google Play, search for FiFiLi. For more information about using the Find it, Fix it, Love it app visit [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/clean](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/clean)



Royan Campbell from the council’s Clean & Green team

# Date set for court challenge over fire cuts

## COURT dates have been set for seven London councils to apply for a judicial review of the mayor of London’s decision to close ten fire stations in the capital.

Representatives from Tower Hamlets, Camden, Greenwich, Hackney, Islington, Lewisham and Southwark councils will be at the Royal Courts of Justice in the Strand, on November 26-28 in a stand

against Boris Johnson’s decision to close the fire stations, including Bow, and remove 14 fire engines.

The legal move follows a refusal by the Local Government Secretary, Eric Pickles, to over-rule the plans, which have the approval of the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority (LFEPA).

The councils argue that the London mayor’s decision ignores the fire risks

posed by a concentration of potential terrorist targets, tourist attractions, social and student housing and high-rise buildings in the affected boroughs.

The judicial review will claim that the plans are legally flawed, as no proper risk assessment has been undertaken, consultation was inadequate and equal opportunities were not properly taken into account

Mayor of Tower Hamlets Lutfur Rahman said: “We believe that the closure of fire stations and axing of fire engines across London could put lives at risk. We will continue to do all we can to defend our communities from Boris Johnson’s cuts to the fire service.”

The LFEPA approved the closures proposed by Mr Johnson in September to save £28.8 million over two years.

### News in brief

#### Choral fundraiser

THE London Docklands Singers community choir and the Marcel Sinfonia are holding a charity concert to raise money for children with learning difficulties and complex medical needs.

The Mozart’s Coronation Mass in aid of Whoosh, the Stephen Hawking School trust in Limehouse, will be performed on Saturday, November 16 from 7.30pm at St Paul’s Church, Bedford Street, Covent Garden.

For tickets, priced £15/£10, visit [www.londondocklandsingers.org](http://www.londondocklandsingers.org)

#### Air charity boost

LONDON’S Air Ambulance has been chosen by the world’s largest asset management company as its charity of the year in England.

BlackRock has joined up with the charity and hopes fundraising efforts will make a significant contribution towards a second helicopter and extended flying hours for the capital’s advanced trauma team.

Visit [www.londonsairambulance.co.uk](http://www.londonsairambulance.co.uk) for details.

#### Trust speaks out

THE East London NHS Foundation Trust, which provides mental health and community services, has pledged its support for a campaign which encourages healthcare providers to be honest and transparent.

The Speak Out Safely campaign, led by the Nursing Times, encourages staff who have a concern about patient safety to raise it within the organisation at the earliest opportunity.

It urges staff to raise the alarm when they see poor practice, and organisations to protect them when they do so.

The trust’s director of nursing, Jonathan Warren, said: “We are absolutely committed to delivering the highest quality patient care we can. In order to do this it is vital that all our staff know they can raise concerns with us at any time and not feel worried about doing so.

“We will support them, fully investigate and, if appropriate, act on their concern.”



## Dancing with wolves

Join DJ Werewolf for ghosts, ghouls and creepy craft workshops at King Edward Memorial Park on October 31.

SEE BELOW



## Museum for your messy monsters

Head to the Museum of London Docklands this half-term where children can make messy monster sticks from gloopy clay. All events are free – tickets available from 10am each day.

SEE BELOW

### Half-term Out & About

#### Pumpkin carving

Free workshop.  
Mon, Oct 28. 12-3pm.  
V&A Building, Grove Road,  
Victoria Park.

#### Creepy crafts

Free arts & crafts and lantern making.  
Tues, Oct 29. 12-3pm.  
V&A Building, Victoria Park.

#### Parks after Dark

Sherlock Holmes themed tours, back by popular demand. Booking essential.  
Weds, Oct 30. Tours between 5&8pm.  
Victoria Park, Grove Road, E3.  
Mile End Park,  
Call 7364 5393 or email Samantha.brewster@towerhamlets.co.uk

#### Boo! Space Invaders

Help the Universe Defence Team hunt down defective robots and Decepticons, make your own monsters from Mars with recycled materials, see the walking talking Mr Recycle More, plus face painting, bouncy castle, games and dancing with resident DJ Chewbacca.  
Thurs, Oct 31. 4-7pm.  
Bartlett Park, Abbot Road, E14.

#### Boo! Monsters Ball

Enter a world of ghosts, ghouls, vampires and zombies. Party games with a twist with DJ Werewolf, mystery banquet table, unlucky dip, face painting, creepy craft workshops and an inflatable slide. Activities are free of charge. Children must be accompanied by an adult.  
Thurs Oct 31, 4-7pm.  
King Edward Memorial Park,



**Teeny Halloweeny** Face painting, arts & crafts, apple bobbing, spooky treasure hunt and an unlucky dip, for under-7s. Thurs, Oct 31. 12-4pm. Mile End Play Park, Locksley Street, E1.

Glamis Road, E1.  
[www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/arts](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/arts)

#### The Ragged Ghouls Museum

Halloween fun with spooky activities – make your own scary bats, ravens and pumpkins and fashion a gruesome mask. Free.  
Weds & Thurs, Oct 30 & 31.  
10am–5pm.  
Ragged School Museum,  
46-50 Copperfield Road, E3.  
8980 6405  
[www.raggedschoolmuseum.org.uk](http://www.raggedschoolmuseum.org.uk)

#### Heroes and Sheroes

Transform into a superhero, create

a marvellous mask, try on capes, belts and costumes, and hear a tale of bravery and derring-do by local author Rebekah Lattin-Rawstrone. Free.  
Mon-Fri, Oct 28-Nov 1. 10.30am-4pm.  
All ages.

#### Play in a Day

Tues-Thurs, Oct 29-31. 10.30am-3.30pm (registration from 10am).  
Make a play in one day based on children's stories about superheroes and put on a stunning performance at the end for family and friends. Dress for mess and bring packed lunch. For ages 5-11.  
£40 per child, per day (parental

consent required) – must book, call 8983 5205.  
V&A Museum of Childhood,  
Cambridge Heath Road, E2.  
[www.museumofchildhood.org.uk](http://www.museumofchildhood.org.uk)

#### Museum of Monsters

Creative workshop for under-5s exploring the monsters that hide in the docks. Make your own messy monster stick from gloopy clay. Free, tickets from 10am each day.  
Mon-Fri, Oct 28–Nov 3. 11am-12noon & 1.30-2.30pm.  
Museum of London Docklands,  
1 Warehouse, West India Quay, E14.  
7001 9844

#### Halloween science fun

Workshops about vampire bats, werewolf teeth, microscopic monsters and deadly diseases.  
Mon, Tues & Thurs, Oct 28, 29 & 31.  
Interactive trauma show full of amazing facts and demonstrations about blood.  
Weds & Fri, Oct 30 & Nov 1.  
All events also include the opportunity to take part in a pod show inside the centre.  
Centre of the Cell, Blizard Institute,  
4 Newark Street, E1.  
To book call 7882 2562  
[www.centreofthecell.org](http://www.centreofthecell.org)

#### Amazing Autumn

Create autumn crowns, bake seasonal treats and make light festival decorations. For ages 5-16.  
Tues-Fri, Oct 29-Nov 1. 10.30am-12.30pm & 2-4pm.  
All activities free. Under-11s must be accompanied by an adult.  
Geffrey Museum,  
136 Kingsland Road, E2  
7739 9893

#### Journey To Space

Interactive family exhibition created by Roald Dahl Funny Prize winner Jim Field. Inspired by Space Race era films and TV series like Thunderbirds, the show invites visitors to find missing astronaut, Major Torn. For under-11s. £5, under-2s free, family of four. £16.  
Until Nov 3. Tues-Sun. Times vary.  
Discover Children's Story Centre,  
383-387 High Street, Stratford, E15.  
8536 5555  
[www.discover.org.uk](http://www.discover.org.uk)

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## Demand is growing for food help

Tower Hamlets Foodbank gave food to more than 1,780 residents in the borough but demand for its help is growing. In the first six months this year, it has already helped 1,000 people.

[WWW.TOWERHAMLETSFOODBANK.ORG.UK](http://WWW.TOWERHAMLETSFOODBANK.ORG.UK)

## Schools news



Students from George Green's School raised £900 for Tower Hamlets Foodbank, which has already helped 1,000 this year

# Students raise Foodbank funds

BY SUSAN MULLIGAN

**STUDENTS** from George Green's School raised £900 for Tower Hamlets Foodbank following a visit to the Isle of Dogs Children's Centre where they discovered the difference that food parcels can make to families in crisis.

The Foodbank charity is an emergency support service, providing three days' worth of nutritionally balanced food to people in need of urgent help.

Last year the charity gave food to more than 1,780 residents



in the borough but demand for its help is growing. In the first six months this year, it has already helped 1,000 people who needed emergency food.

The Isle of Dogs Children's Centre supports Foodbank, and provides a range of health, education, employment and financial related advice and services to families. It is often the first

place that residents turn to when they need urgent help.

George Green's students were so impressed with the help provided by the children's centre, they organised a non-uniform day to help raise funds for Foodbank. Pupils paid just £1 each to participate on the day, with the teachers contributing £2 each.

The funds were split between buying food that the charity needed most—including jars of baby food, pasta, tea and sugar – and money towards its annual hamper appeal.

Amy Kimbangi, Tower Hamlets Foodbank project co-ordina-

tor, said: "We are stunned and extremely grateful for the wonderful donation from the Isle of Dogs Children's Centre and George Green's School.

"We have been overwhelmed by the generosity of the residents of Tower Hamlets. Without the desire of so many local people to help their neighbours in need, we would simply be unable to do what we do."

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "This is an example of One Tower Hamlets at its best – communities coming together, supporting each other and caring for the most vulnerable in society."

## Award for girl power

Sufiya Ahmed won the Published Writer of the Year at the 2012 Brit Writers Awards for *Secrets of the Henna Girl*.

## Author marks 'Day of the Girl'

**GIRLS** at Morpeth School were treated to a visit from award-winning author Sufiya Ahmed as part of International Day of the Girl.

This year's campaign focused on innovating for girls' education and 30 girls from years 7 to 9 were able to hear about Sufiya's debut teenage fiction novel, *Secrets of the Henna Girl*, which explores the illegal practice of forced marriages in the UK.

Sufiya also spoke about how

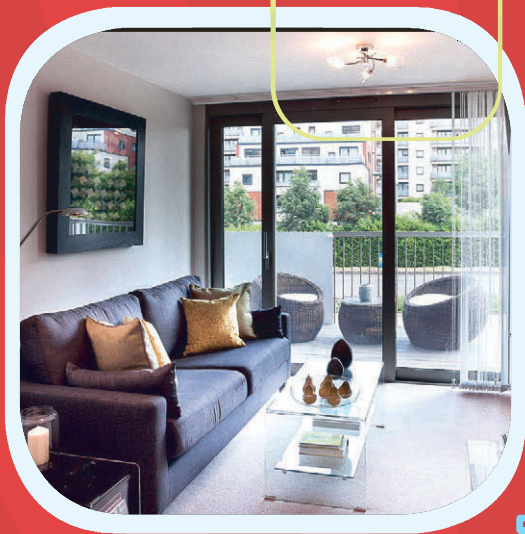
she became a full-time author and her previous career in the Houses of Parliament, which she said was only possible because of the education she received in this country.

Sufiya told *East End Life*: "A wonderful day spent with Morpeth School pupils to mark International Day of the Girl.

"I hope I've inspired the girls to aim high with their dreams and to realise they will get there if they focus on their education now."



Sufiya Ahmed was presented with flowers after her visit



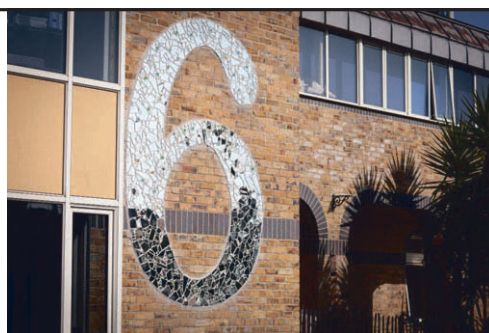


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## Appeal for volunteers

More than 3,000 volunteers pledged last week to help at Crisis homelessness centres at Christmas – thousands more are needed.



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## News



Comedian Jo Brand is urging residents and workers to dedicate their Christmas parties to Crisis. Just sign up online and download a party pack at [www.crisis.org.uk/christmasparty](http://www.crisis.org.uk/christmasparty)

# Party for Crisis this Christmas

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

**THOUSANDS of people are being asked to give their time over the Christmas period to give homeless people warmth, comfort and access to vital services.**

Spitalfields-based Crisis, the national charity for single homeless people, will set up centres in London and other cities to provide rough sleepers with accommodation, hot meals and more.

Crisis at Christmas runs from December 23-30 and the charity is looking for 8,000 volunteers from all walks of life – from doctors to dog handlers, hairdressers to healthcare assistants, and podiatrists to manicurists.

Some 4,000 homeless people are expected to be in need of support over the festive period.

Leslie Morphy, chief executive of Crisis, said: "Homelessness can be an incredibly isolating and lonely experience, but at Christmas it can be doubly hard.

"While families and friends are tucking into Christmas dinner, it can be a miserable experience for the person stuck out alone in the winter cold.

"Crisis at Christmas is only possible due to the generosity of our volunteers and donors who have come together to make this happen for more than four decades. With homelessness rising, their help is needed more than ever."

For details, call 0300 6361000 or visit [www.crisis.org.uk](http://www.crisis.org.uk)

### LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS LICENSING ACT 2003 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT Emma Iantosca has applied to London Borough of Tower Hamlets Licensing Authority for a premises licence under the licensing Act 2003  
Premises 23 Ezra Street, London, E2 7RH

The licensable activities and timings are: The on and off sale of alcohol from 11am to 11pm Monday to Sunday, not to be consumed outside of the premises after 9.30pm  
Recorded background music at a low level to be played during opening hours

Anyone wishing to make representations regarding this application must give notice in writing to The Licensing section, London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG Website: [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk) Tel 020 7364 5008

Representations must be received no later than 20th November 2013

The application record and register may be viewed between 10am and 4pm Monday to Friday during normal office hours at the above address.

It is an offence under Section 158 of the licensing act 2003, knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence is up to level 5 on the standard scale (£5000)





## Company crippled by lawsuit

Hans Speidel (pictured), once right-hand man to Rommel, but now a major figure in the military of the new West Germany, sued Plato for libel. Forman and Montagu were forced to settle.

## Got a story to tell?

If you have a tale about East End history, write to John Rennie or email him at [johnrennie@gmail.com](mailto:johnrennie@gmail.com)

SEE BELOW

[WWW.EASTLONDONHISTORY.COM](http://WWW.EASTLONDONHISTORY.COM)

## History

BY JOHN RENNIE

**THE death of Stanley Forman earlier this year severed another link with the radical East End of the middle years of the 20th century, and the dream that Britain could share in the Communist 'utopia' of Eastern Europe: though Forman was a realist rather than a utopian.**

As his career moved into cinema he would be responsible for teaching the West much of the little it knew about life behind the Iron Curtain, leaving in his wake a fabulous archive of documentary and propaganda footage.

Stanley Forman was born in Whitechapel on Boxing Day, 1921, the son of middle class Jewish parents.

They, like hundreds of thousands of others, had fled to London and its East End to escape the pogroms in eastern Europe.

And by his teens, Stanley and his school-mates were seeing anti-semitism rising again – this time on the streets of east London.

The 15-year-old watched the Battle of Cable Street in 1936 and saw his 'heroes' (young men of various creeds and cultures, of religious belief or not) head off to fight Franco and fascism in the Spanish Civil War.

Already, the fights against anti-Semitism and for socialism were, for him, fused and that year he became a member of the Labour League of Youth.

Soon he was encouraged by its national secretary (Ted Willis, later to find fame as the creator of iconic East End bobby, George Dixon) to join the Mile End Young Communist League.

Stanley was too young to go and fight with the International Brigade in Spain, but joined the other youngsters collecting money, medical supplies and milk. It was here that he met his future wife, Hilda.

He was also busy educating himself. Having left school at 14, his education began in earnest with lectures at the Marx Memorial Library, which had taken over a house in Clerkenwell Green in 1933.

Years later, he told his grandson, Daniel, that those long evenings taught him "everything he knew".

A hard worker and quick learner, by 1937 the 16-year-old Stanley had risen to be cultural secretary of the youth group, organising trips to the opera and film screenings – engendering a love of cinema that would lead to a lifelong career.

At the close of World War II, he was seeing the ruins of Europe (and the meeting between East and West) at first hand, working with Germans as a 'deNazification' officer.

Ironically, as soon as his Communist sympathies were discovered he was demobbed – having defeated the Nazis, the West was already nervous of its former Soviet allies.

Forman turned his energies to the British Soviet Friendship Society, becoming a



Stanley Forman was a Communist who enjoyed the finer things in life

# Films offered a glimpse behind the Iron Curtain

national organiser. The work and travel was exhausting, and it was now that he returned to a quote from Lenin, that he'd remembered from his days in the library: "Of all the arts, for us the most important is the cinema."

Anybody who has watched the powerful propaganda movies produced by Soviet Russia (sometimes dramas, sometimes deathless documentaries dedicated to wheat production or the might of the Soviet army) will see the truth in that.

Totalitarian regimes of both right and left aren't averse to using the arts to re-tell their own stories. Enlisting the support of his communist-aristo friend Ivor Montagu, Stanley set up Plato Films, to show left-wing non-fiction movies from all over the globe (a sister operation, Contemporary Films, brought in feature films).

They found a ready audience of churches, unions, universities – and even the Army, who were eager to know more of what was occurring behind the swiftly descending Iron Curtain. Whatever your ideology, the films make for a fascinating variety of viewing. There was news footage, clumsily edited critiques of US foreign policy, boos-

terism of Soviet Bloc foreign policy (all depending on your point of view of course).

There were innocent travelogues, language learning films and controversial gems, such as *The German Story* (1956), which traced the growth of German militarism, and included horribly moving scenes of the Warsaw ghetto.

Questions were even asked in the House of Commons when the new National Film Theatre, with Stanley's help, mounted a season of East German films.

But it was at the NFT, in 1958, that Plato Films came to grief. The theatre had screened *Operation Teutonic Sword*, focusing on German general Hans Speidel's activities during the war.

Speidel had been Field-Marshal Rommel's right-hand man and been part of the plot to assassinate Hitler.

The East German studio meanwhile, had painted him as privy to the assassinations of King Alexander I of Yugoslavia and French Foreign Minister Louis Barthou in 1934, and having betrayed Rommel to the Nazis after the 20 July Plot in 1944.

Speidel, now a major figure in the

military of the new West Germany, sued Plato for libel. Forman and Montagu, realising the company would be sunk, settled and formed a new company, Educational and Television Films.

By the sixties, belief in the coming revolution was waning, but Stanley found new markets. Interest in the war was burgeoning (think of the number of WWII films and dramas that filled our screens in the sixties and seventies, greatest of all perhaps the seminal series *The World At War*).

'See the other half of the world', had been Plato's slogan, and even if people didn't want to join that half, they were still interested in looking. In the seventies, ETV boosted the Chile Solidarity Campaign with its film *Companero*.

Stanley's grandson Daniel, writing his obituary in *The Guardian* earlier this year, painted a picture of a real man, rather than a paragon. "Ebullient and engaging", the life-long Communist was "always on the side of liberalisation" and enjoying the finer things in life...such as smoked salmon, caviar and champagne. "Under socialism we'd all eat like this," he countered – only half joking.



# A range of services

The council provides many services for residents and businesses. Go to the A-Z on the website at

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK

## Council information

### Tower Hamlets forward planner

TOWER Hamlets Council produces a forward plan every month detailing the key decisions it will take, together with the details of

the author, and consultation undertaken. It can be found in Idea Stores, libraries, One Stop Shops and council offices or at [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/data/your-council/data/forward-plan/forward-plan.cfm](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/data/your-council/data/forward-plan/forward-plan.cfm)

### Meetings

Tuesday, October 29

#### 6.30pm: Licensing sub-committee

Business includes applications for: premises licence for Bethnal Green Working Men's Club, Ground, 1st & 2nd floor, 452-46 Pollard Row, E2; and new premises licences for Corner Shop Express Ltd, 216 Bethnal Green Road, E2 and for Moo Grill Bar, 60-62 Brick Lane, E1.

Call 7364 4120 or email [simmi.yesmin@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:simmi.yesmin@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

Wednesday, October 30

#### 6.30pm: Human resources committee

Call 7364 4207 or email [evelyn.akoto@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:evelyn.akoto@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

Thursday, October 31

#### 6-8pm: Youth Council

Monthly meeting chaired by the Young Mayor and open to all young people. Agenda includes presentation of local

work by the Princes Trust, Q&A with police inspector Vicky Golledge and introduction of Youth Debating Club. Call 7364 3091 or email [boris.rupnik@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:boris.rupnik@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

Tuesday, November 5

#### 7pm: Overview & scrutiny committee

Call 7364 4333 or email [angus.taylor@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:angus.taylor@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

Wednesday, November 6

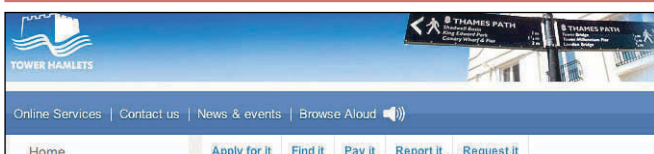
#### 2pm: Extraordinary licensing sub-committee

For details contact Simmi Yesmin (see left).

#### 5.30pm: Cabinet

Call 7364 4651 or email [matthew.mannion@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:matthew.mannion@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

Details are accurate at time of going to press. Agendas are available online a week before meetings, which are at the Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG, except Cabinet.



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- make a doorstep recycling request
- report an abandoned vehicle
- bulk rubbish collections

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Tower Hamlets Council will be providing information and advice to help you prepare for the changes. We will be holding a series of meetings to discuss the changes and answer your questions. For more information about the changes visit the government website [www.dwp.gov.uk](http://www.dwp.gov.uk) or call our helpline on 0800 800 7000, or telephone 0202 556 4000.

# Get information on welfare reform

The council's benefits service can provide information about housing benefit, council tax benefit and entitlement to free school meals. It has compiled a list of helpful agencies at...

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK/WELFAREREFORM



Staff working at the centre last week

## Self service centre expands

### THE council's self service contact centre is now taking calls about environmental and parking matters.

The introduction of the system gives residents a 24/7 call answering service, meaning queries are responded to quickly, without waiting in queues, and the council is never 'closed'.

Following feedback from residents on the pilot of the service over the last nine months, the system has been made easier to use.

There are fewer menu options

and it is easier to speak to an adviser for more complex enquiries.

Self service now handles about 20,000 calls a month and resolves half of them without the involvement of an adviser.

It could also result in savings of up to £100,000 per year, as the running costs associated with self service are much lower than the former system.

The new system will continue to be monitored closely to ensure it meets customers' needs, and it is already being considered for use with other

council services. Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "We are committed to the provision of excellent resident services."

Cllr Alibor Choudhury, cabinet member for resources, said: "At a time when public sector budgets are being slashed, it is more important than ever to demonstrate value for money in the delivery of council services."

"The customer access team has done a great job improving the services we provide for residents, whilst making good cost and efficiency savings."

### Planning

E1

375 Cable Street – variation of condition of planning permission APP/E5900/A/10/2141935 to allow opening hours from 10am-10pm Sunday to Thursday and 9am-11pm Friday & Saturday. Approved hours: 9am-9pm Sunday to Thursday and 9am-10pm Friday & Saturday. Site next to Shadwell Tube

Station, Cable Street –

installation of re-conditioned shipping containers to provide 96sqm of retail, professional services or office use on vacant site at west side of station.

E14

23 Celtic Street – prior notification of proposed 5-metre single storey rear extension. 108 Salmon Lane –

retrospective application for change of use to from shop to restaurant/café incorporating rear infill extension and flue.

This is not a definitive list of all current planning applications. For more details go to the council's website at [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk) and click on Planning & Building.

### Drug treatment providers

#### Community Drug Team

Substitute prescribing, key working, health screening & referral to residential treatment. 71 Johnson Street, E1. 7790 1344 [www.lifeline.org.uk](http://www.lifeline.org.uk)

#### Nafas

Support with a focus on Bangladeshi community. The Davenant Centre, 179-181 Whitechapel Road, E1 7377 0676.

#### Harbour Recovery Centre

In-patient detox for 18+ males. Riverside House, 4th Floor, 20 Garford Street, E14. 7538 9421

#### Young People's Service

Treatment for under-19s Unit 26, Skyline Village, Limeharbour, E14. 3069 7878 [www.lifeline.org.uk](http://www.lifeline.org.uk)

#### Isis

For women aged over 18 c/o Hopetown Hostel, 60 Old Montague Street, E1. 7426 0399 [www.compass-uk.org](http://www.compass-uk.org)

#### Community Alcohol Team

Unit 22, Skyline Village Limeharbour, E14. 0800 008 7200 [www.rapt.org.uk](http://www.rapt.org.uk)

#### Somali Substance Misuse

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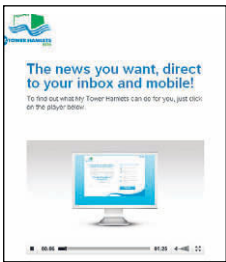
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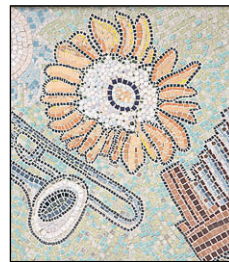




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## Did you get it?

Last week's picture was taken at Bangabandhu School, Wessex Street, E2.

## Council information

### Hotline numbers

Housing benefits – 7364 5001  
Council tax – 7364 5002  
Parking services – 7364 5003  
Streetline – 7364 5004  
Adult social care – 7364 5005  
Children's services – 7364 5006  
Pest and noise nuisance – 7364 5007  
Environmental health, trading standards & licensing – 7364 5008  
Planning & development – 7364 5009  
Business rates – 7364 5010  
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### General enquiries

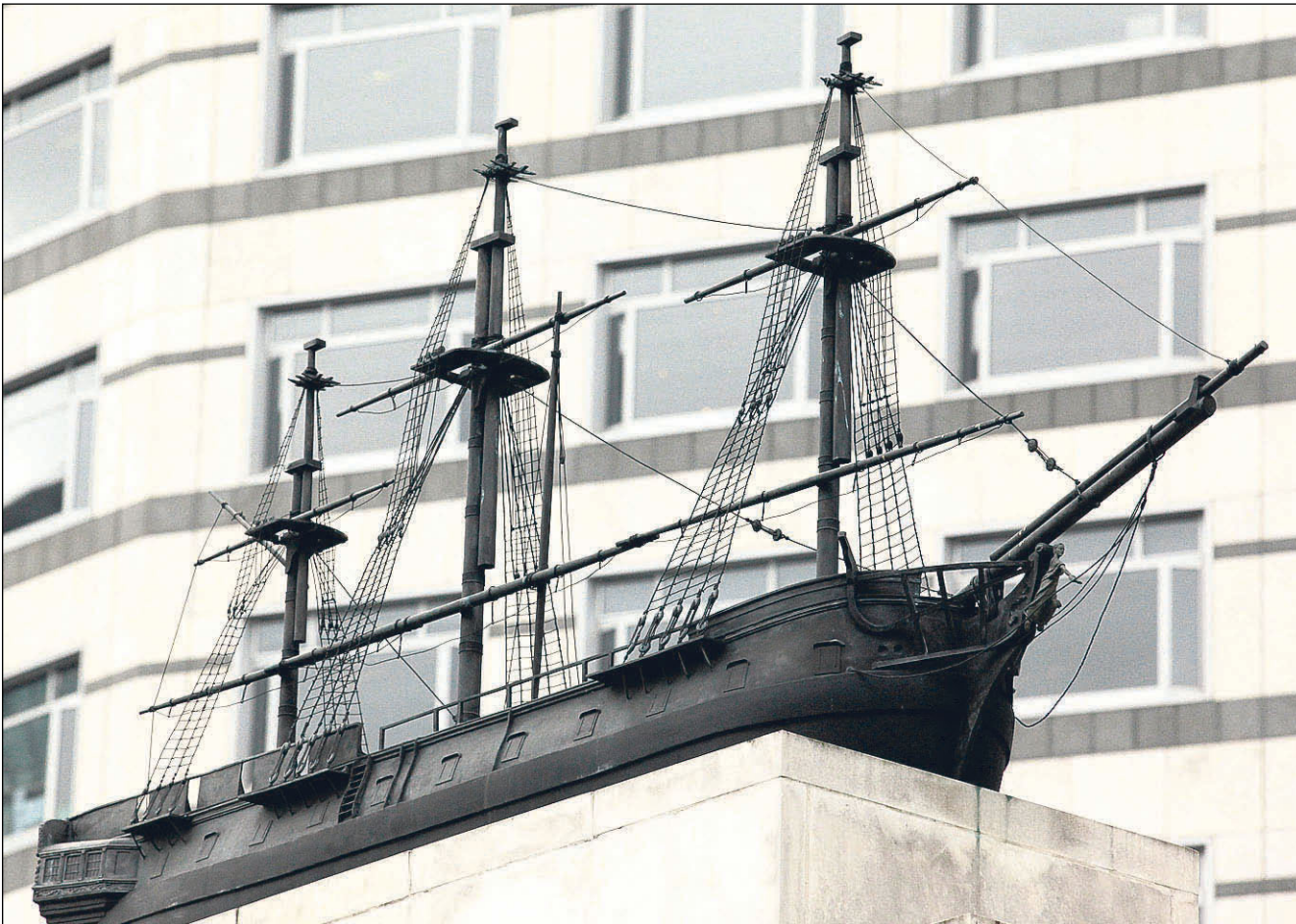
For other council enquiries call 7364 5020.

### Useful housing numbers

Housing repairs – 0800 376 1637  
Tenancy support – 7364 5544  
Housing advice (E14) – 7364 7507  
Housing advice (E1, E2 or E3) – 7364 3558  
Homeless service – 7364 7474  
Choice-based lettings – 7364 0244  
Homeseekers – 0845 270 2400

### Switchboard

If you know the name of the person or department you



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need to contact, call the switchboard on 7364 5000.

### Town Hall

Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, E14 2BG.  
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Bow West 8649 3521  
Bromley by Bow 8721 2041  
East India & Lansbury 8721 2806  
Limehouse 8721 2852

Mile End & Globe Town 8721 2853  
Mile End East 8721 2848  
Millwall 8721 2850  
Shadwell 8649 3524  
Spitalfields & Banglatown 8721 2042  
St Dunstan's & Stepney Green 8721 2808  
St Katharine's & Wapping 8721 2854  
Weavers 8721 2043  
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**Canary Wharf** – Churchill Place, Canary Wharf, E14.  
**Chrisp Street** – Vesey Path, E14.  
**Whitechapel** – 321 Whitechapel Road, E1. 7364 4332  
**Watney Market** – Commercial E1. 7364 4332  
All open: Mon to Thurs, 9am-9pm; Fri, 9am-6pm; Sat, 9am-5pm. Sundays – Bow and Chrisp Street open, 10am-4pm; Whitechapel, 11am-5pm; and Canary Wharf, 12-6pm.

### Libraries

**Bethnal Green** – Cambridge Heath Road, E2. 8980 3902  
**Cubitt Town** – Strattondale Street, E14. 7987 3152  
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**Local History Library and Archives** – 277 Bancroft Road, E1. Open Tues, 10am-5pm; Weds, 9am-5pm; Thurs, 9am-8pm; Sat (1st & 3rd of the month), 9am-5pm.  
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টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বার্ষিক নাট্য উৎসবের উদ্বোধন করেছেন ২রা নভেম্বর থেকে ২৪ শে নভেম্বর বারা বিভিন্ন বিশিষ্ট সেন্টারগুলোতে নাটকগুলো মঞ্চস্থ করা হবে। এ ব্যাপারে আরো বিস্তারিত জানার জন্যে ০২০৭ ৩৬৪ ৪৯৪০ এই নম্বরে টেলিফোন করার জন্যে অনুরোধ করা হয়েছে।

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## Harmony

# Isbedelka habka guryaha bixinta

**TIRO go'an oo isbedela aha ayaa lagu sameeyey habka kownsulka iyo lamaanayaashiisu u qoondeeyaan guryaha, si looga dhigo adeega mid ay dadweynuhu u siman yihiin, islamarkaana loo dedejinayo.**

Koawnsulku wuxuu beegsanayaa in la dhiso 4,000 oo guri oo cusub dhammaadka miisaaniyad dhaqaaleedka, inkasta oo uu weli waajahayo baahi fara badan oo guryaha ah, oo liiska sugitaanku gaadhayo

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ilaa 22,000. Isbedeladan u dnabeeyey ee sharciyadeed, waxay siinayaan, kownsulka iyo lamaanayaashiisa guryaha, awoodo dheeraad ah, oo ku bedeli karaan qaabka adeegooda guriyeynta oo ku haboon baahida dadka.

Haddaba kownsulku isga oo ka shidaal qaadanaya, talooyinka ka soo baxay deganayaasha kadib markii kal hore wadatashiyo lala sameeyey, isbedeluu ku sameeyey qaab ka guriyeynta.

Qaabka cusub ee guriyeyntu waxaa ka mid ah in qoyska oo dakhligoodu ka badan yahay £85,000 intaan la cashuurin, lagu darimaayo liiska sugitaanka, halkaya xeerarkii hore ka ahaan jirtey in la geliyo, iyaada oo aan la tixgelin dakhliga.

Waxaa kale oo la soo rogey in qofkii diida sedex guri, in aan muddoo sannad ah loo juuqin.

Waxaa kale jira isbedelo kale oo xadidaada guuri doorashad oo la yareeyey.

## Maalinta Maraqa

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**INKA badan boqol carruur aha iyo waalidiin ayaa maalintii maraqa ee dhawaan lagu qabtayammadkii ka soo go'ay beeraha baaga Mile End ku yaal oo khudaar.**

Kadibna waxay ka sameeyeen maraq la yaab leh oo dhan dhan heer saro ah leh.

Qofkii doonaya in uu ka qayqaato, waa in uu la xidhiidaa qaybaha beeran amma waa in uu email u diraa madaxa soonaha khudaarta paul.sammur@towerhamlets.gov.uk



Nadia and Hannah at the Soup Day

## Kormeerada lagu gala bixinayo gobolka

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**DEGANAYAASHA iyo bo-roffishinalis ayaa ku kaw-sularada ku biiray, si loo gardaadsho, gaalaa baxyo isdaba jooga oo cusub oo lagu mariyo gobolka oo la isku baraarujiinayo ar-rimaha ammaanka.**

In ka badan 12 socdaal ayaa qorshaysan, ka u horeeyaana wuxuu noqon doonaa 11 Ok-

toobar iyo xaafada India & Lansbury.

Meeyar Lutfur Rahman, iyo ku-xigeenka meeyarka Cllr Ohid Ahmed ayay israaceen komanderka gobolka ee booliiska Dave Stringer, saraakiil booliiska ah, madax koawnsulka ee ammaanka bulshada, saraakiisha Tower Hamlets ee xoojinta (THEOs), shaqaale ka socda Har-

ca popular iyo dhalin shaqaalaha ka hortaga daroogada.

Waxay indho indhaynaayeen denbiyada iyo ashu xumnada iyo sida ay ugu hawlana yihiin kawnsulka, booliska iyo lamaanayaashu, maadaama ay kifaax ugu jiraan in qofkasta oo soo booqda, ka shaqeeya amma ku nool Tower Hamlets in ammaankiisa la sugo.

## দরিদ্রদের সহযোগিতা করতে আইল অফ ডগসে ফুডব্যাংক

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জঙ্গলীন স্কুলের ছাত্রবৃন্দ চ্যারিটি ফুডব্যাংকের জন্যে ৯শত পাউন্ড অনুদান সংগ্রহ করেছে তারা আইল অফ ডগসের একটি চিলড্রেন সেন্টার পরিদর্শন করে উপলব্ধি করতে পেরেছে যে ফ্রি খাবার পেলে পরিবারগুলোর সমস্যার সমাধান হবে।

জরুরী প্রয়োজনে স্থানীয় জনসাধারণের জন্যে ৩দিনের জন্যে পুষ্টিকর খাবার সরবরাহের জন্যে এই ফুডব্যাংক প্রতিষ্ঠা করা হয়েছে।

গত বছর চ্যারিটি থেকে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের ১৭৮০ জন বাসিন্দাকে খাবার সরবরাহ করা হয়েছে। বর্ধিত চাহিদা থাকায় চ্যারিটিও বেড়ে উঠছে। এ বছরের প্রথম ৬ মাসে এই চ্যারিটি থেকে প্রায় জরুরী প্রয়োজন রয়েছে এমন ১ হাজার লোককে সহযোগিতা দেয়া হয়েছে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের বাসিন্দা ও পরিবারগুলো কে আইল অফ ডগসের চিলড্রেন সেন্টার ফুডব্যাংক কে সহযোগিতা করছে এর সাথে সাথে হেলথ,এডুকেশন, এম্পলয়মেন্ট এবং আর্থিক বিষয়েও তথ্য ও পরামর্শ দিয়ে সহযোগিতা করে থাকে। জরুরী প্রয়োজনের সময় বাসিন্দারা এই সেন্টারের শরণাপন্ন হয়ে থাকেন।

জঙ্গলীন স্কুলের ছাত্ররা চিলড্রেন সেন্টার কর্তৃক

সেবা প্রদানের নজীর দেখে অত্যন্ত খীত হয়ে, তাদের স্কুলে নন-ইউনিফর্ম দিবসের আয়োজন করে এবং চাদা সংগ্রহ করে।

ছাত্ররা ১ পাউন্ড করে এবং টিচারবৃন্দ ২পাউন্ড করে দিয়ে ৯শত পাউন্ড চাদা তুলেছেন। জরুরী প্রয়োজন মেটানোর জন্যে খাবার কেনার জন্যে কিছু অর্থ প্রদান করা হয় যেমন বেবি ফুড,পান্তা, চা এবং চিনি-এ ছাড়াও চ্যারিটির বার্ষিক হ্যাম্পার এপীলের জন্যে ও কিছু অর্থ প্রদান করা হয়।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস ফুডব্যাংক প্রজেক্ট কর্ডিনেটর এ্যামি কিম্বাংগি বলেন,“আইল অফ ডগসের চিলড্রেন সেন্টারের জন্যে জঙ্গলীন স্কুলের ছাত্র-ছাত্রীদের এই আন্তরিকতায় আমরা মুগ্ধ হয়েছি।

আমরা টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের বাসিন্দাদের উদারতায় ও বিমোহিত হয়েছি, তারা তাদের প্রতিবেশীদের সাহায্যার্থে এগিয়ে এসেছেন সে জন্যে এ জন্যে আমরা কাজ করতে পারছি তা না হলে এ টুকু করা আমাদের জন্যে সম্ভব হতোনা।”

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর

রহমান বলেন,“এটি ওয়ান টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের একটি প্রকৃষ্ট উদাহরন একের প্রয়োজনে অন্যের এগিয়ে আসা এবং একে অন্যকে সাহায্য করা বিশেষ করে ভঙ্গুর জনগনকে সহযোগিতা করা।

সরকারের ওয়েলফেয়ার রিফর্ম মেজার এর ফলশ্রুতিতে এই পরিস্থিতির উদ্ভব হয়েছে। ফুডব্যাংকের মত চ্যারিটির কাছে অগুনতি মানুষকে সহযোগিতার জন্যে হাত বাড়াতে হচ্ছে।

আমাদের সমাজের অসহায় মানুষকে সহযোগিতা করার জন্যে আমরা সম্ভাব্য সব ধরনের ব্যবস্থা করবো। সরকারের ওয়েলফেয়ার রিফর্ম ব্যবস্থার কারণে বাসিন্দাদের টেম্পারারি বাসস্থানের প্রয়োজন হলে তার জন্যে কাউন্সিলের বাজেট থেকে ২.২মিলিয়ন পাউন্ড বরাদ্দ রেখেছি। রি-সেপশন ও ইয়ার ওয়ানের শিশুদের জন্যে ফ্রি স্কুল মিলের ব্যবস্থা আমরা করছি। স্কুল,কলেজ ও বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের ছাত্র-ছাত্রীদের জন্যে আমরা গ্রান্টসের ব্যবস্থা করছি।

আমরা একটি ত্রাস্তিকাল অতিক্রম করছি আর এই সময়ে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের বাসিন্দারা ঐক্যবদ্ধ হয়ে তা মোকাবেলা করে চলেছেন।”

## ড্রাগস ডিলিং ও অসামাজিক কার্যকলাপ প্রতিরোধ গণসংযোগ পদযাত্রার নতুন পর্যায়ে মেয়র ও ডেপুটি মেয়র

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অসামাজিক কার্যকলাপ প্রতিরোধ , ড্রাগস ডিলিং বন্ধ এবং বাসিন্দাদের নিরাপত্তা নিশ্চিতকরণের লক্ষ্যে বারায় নতুন পর্যায়ের গণসংযোগ শুরু হয়েছে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস বারার বাসিন্দাদের নিরাপত্তা বিধানের জন্যে মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান, ডেপুটি মেয়র কাউন্সিলর ওহিদ আহমদ এবং পুলিশের বারা কমান্ডার ডেইভ স্ট্রিংগার ও কাউন্সিল,হারকা ও অন্যান্য সহযোগি সংস্থার উচ্চ-পদস্থ কর্মকর্তারা গণসংযোগের নিমিত্তে পদযাত্রায় অংশ নেন।

এই নতুন পর্যায়ের পদযাত্রা এভারফেল্ডি সেন্টারে অনুষ্ঠিত এক সভার মাধ্যমে আনুষ্ঠানিক ভাবে শুরু হয়। এই সভায় বক্তব্য রাখেন মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান, ডেপুটি মেয়র কাউন্সিলর ওহিদ আহমদ এবং বারা কমান্ডার ডেইভ স্ট্রিংগার।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন,“আমি স্থানীয় বাসিন্দা এবং দোকানদারদের সাথে কথা বলেছি। এলাকার নিরাপত্তা বিধানে সক্রিয় কাউন্সিল, হারকা ও হাউজিং এসোসিয়েশন গুলোর কর্মকর্তা এবং পুলিশ অফিসারদের কাছে পেয়ে সমৃদ্ধি প্রকাশ করেছেন।

আমি বাসিন্দাদের কাছে আহ্বান জানাচ্ছি তারা যেন আমাদের কে জানান এ ব্যাপারে আরো কি করা প্রয়োজন।”



Sgt Tony Burton, borough police commander Dave Stringer and Deputy Mayor Cllr Ohid Ahmed

পদযাত্রাটি এভারফেল্ডি স্ট্রীট ও স্পে স্ট্রীট সংলগ্ন এলাকা প্রদক্ষিনকালে ড্রাগস ডিলিং, অসামাজিক কার্যকলাপ,ল্যাস্‌বারি স্টেইটে আলটন স্ট্রীটে কুকুরের উপদ্রব এবং ক্রিসপ স্ট্রীটের গলি ঘুপচিতে যৌগ কর্মীদের আনাগোনা সম্পর্কে অবহিত হন।

ডেপুটি মেয়র কাউন্সিলর ওহিদ আহমদ বলেন,“এ বছরের প্রথম দিকে প্রথম পর্যায়ে গণসংযোগ পদযাত্রা অনুষ্ঠিত হয় এবং ঐ পদযাত্রা

বিপুল ভাবে সফলতা অর্জন করেছিল। জনগনের নিরাপত্তা বিধানের দিকে লক্ষ্য রেখে তাই নব পর্যায়ের পদযাত্রার সূচনা করা হয়েছে।”

আগামী বছরের এপ্রিল মাস থেকে আবার পাক্ষিক ভাবে এই পদযাত্রা বিভিন্ন এলাকা প্রদক্ষিন করবে। এর আগে গত ২০শে সেপ্টেম্বর মেয়র 'ডেপুটি মেয়র অপারেশন কার্বন'এ অংশ নেয়া ১৮জন আভার কভার অফিসার কে প্রশংসাপত্র হস্তান্তর অনুষ্ঠানে অংশ নেন।





## ফেইথ বিল্ডিং অনুদানের দ্বিতীয় পর্যায়ে শুরু হয়েছে

ধর্মীয় প্রতিষ্ঠান-এর সংস্কার কাজে অনুদান প্রদানের প্রজেক্ট ফেইথ গ্রান্টস-এর ২য় রাউন্ড এর শূভ উদ্বোধন করা হয়েছে। নির্বাহী মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান তিন মিলিয়ন পাউন্ড এর এই ফান্ড এর ২য় পর্যায়ের উদ্বোধন ঘোষণা করেন। ৪৫ টি ফেইথ প্রতিষ্ঠান প্রাথমিক অনুদান পেয়েছে।

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## Harmony



Smrity Azad and above a group called Prakritik Oprakritik



## মাসব্যাপি বার্ষিক বাংলা নাট্য উৎসবের উদ্বোধন করলেন মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান Season of Bangla Drama launched

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উৎসবটি উপভোগ্য হয়ে উঠবে বলে আমার প্রত্যাশা। উল্লেখ্য যে, বাংলা নাট্য উৎসব একটি বার্ষিক অনুষ্ঠান হিসাবে সংস্কৃতি-সেবীদের অংশ গ্রহণের মাধ্যমে বৃটেনের সংস্কৃতি জগতে এক ভিন্ন সাংস্কৃতিক মাত্রা যোগ করেছে। আর এ জন্যে পৃষ্ঠপোষকতা করতে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল। বিস্তারিত জানার জন্যে রাজু মিয়ার সাথে ০২০৭ ৩৬৪ ৪৯৪০ এই নম্বরে যোগাযোগ করার জন্যে অনুরোধ করা হয়েছে।

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#### টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস

#### গ্রাজুয়েটস পাইলট স্কীম

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিলের সোশ্যাল ওয়ার্ক টিমে ৮জন গ্রাজুয়েটস বছর মেয়াদে অংশ নেবেন। তারা ফ্রন্টলাইন সম্পর্কে অনন্য সাধারণ সবেতন কাজের অভিজ্ঞতা লাভ করবেন, এসেসড এন্ড সাপোর্টেড ইয়ার ইন এম্পলয়মেন্ট এর মাধ্যমে ইন্সটিটিউট রিকোয়ারমেন্টের শর্ত পূরণ করা সাপেক্ষে পরবর্তী পর্যায়ে তাদেরকে স্থায়ী নিয়োগ প্রদান করা হবে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, “যারা টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসে এই সৃজনশীল স্কীমটি এনেছেন তাদের জন্যে আমি গর্ব অনুভব করছি।

এই স্কীমটি আমাদের সোশ্যাল ওয়ার্ককে শক্তিশালী করতে সক্ষম হবে সাথে সাথে প্রতিভাবানদের জন্যে কর্মসংস্থানেও সহায়ক হবে।”

হেলথ এন্ড ওয়েলবিয়িং এর কেবিনেট মেম্বর কাউন্সিলর আব্দুল আসাদ বলেন, “কোন এক সময়ে আমাদের ২০টি সোশ্যাল ওয়ার্কারের পদ খালি হলে এজেন্সি স্টাফ দিয়ে কাজ চালাতে হয়।

এই স্কীমের বদৌলতে আমরা চমৎকার নতুন স্টাফ সৃষ্টি করতে পারবো এরা দেশের অভিজাত ট্রেনিং সোশ্যাল ওয়ার্কার হিসেবে পরিগণিত হবে।

#### ফেইথ গ্রান্টসের দ্বিতীয়

#### পর্যায় উদ্বোধন করা হয়েছে

ধর্মীয় প্রতিষ্ঠান-এর সংস্কার কাজে অনুদান প্রদানের প্রজেক্ট ফেইথ গ্রান্টস-এর ২য় রাউন্ড এর শূভ উদ্বোধন করা হয়েছে। নির্বাহী মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান তিন মিলিয়ন পাউন্ড এর এই ফান্ড এর ২য় পর্যায়ের উদ্বোধন ঘোষণা করেন। প্রথম রাউন্ডে ১০হাজার থেকে ৭৫ হাজার পাউন্ড পর্যন্ত অনুদানের আবেদন করার সুযোগ ছিলো, বর্তমানে সর্বোচ্চ ৩শ হাজার পাউন্ড পর্যন্ত আবেদন করা যাবে। প্রয়োজন এবং চাহিদা অনুযায়ী এই আবেদন করতে হবে।

স্টেপনির সেন্ট ড্যানস্টান চার্চে উদ্বোধনী অনুষ্ঠানের স্বাগত বক্তব্যে নির্বাহী মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, চার্চ, মসজিদ, সিনাগগ ও মন্দির সকল ধর্মীয় প্রতিষ্ঠানই সুন্দর শান্তিপূর্ণ সমাজ বিনির্মাণে গুরুত্বপূর্ণ ভূমিকা পালন করে থাকে। তাই তাদের ভবনের সুরক্ষায় এবং সংস্কার আমরা সহযোগিতার হাত বাড়াতে পেরে খুবই আনন্দিত। তিনি বলেন, আমরা শিক্ষা, হাউজিং, কমিউনিটি সেইফটিসহ সকল প্রধান প্রধান সেক্টরে নিরলস কাজ করে যাচ্ছি। একই সাথে আমাদের ফেইথ কমিউনিটির প্রতিও আমাদের দায়িত্ব পালন করতে চাই।

উল্লেখ্য ইতিমধ্যে ৪৫টি ফেইথ প্রতিষ্ঠান প্রাথমিক অনুদান পেয়েছে, এর মধ্যে রয়েছে ২৪টি মসজিদ। দুটি মন্দির, এবং সিনাগগসহ বাকীগুলো পেয়েছে চার্চ।

#### স্বাস্থ্যকর খাবার গ্রহণে

#### বারার সাফল্য

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস বারা তার বাসিন্দাদের খাবার গ্রহণে সহনীয় ও স্বাস্থ্যকর পরামর্শ দিয়ে থাকে

এ ব্যাপারে কাউন্সিল নেতৃস্থানীয় ভূমিকা পালন করেছে।

গুড ফুড ফর লন্ডন রিপোর্ট ২০১৩ এর ৬টি ক্যাটাগরিতে লন্ডনের ৩৩টি বারার মধ্যে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস চতুর্থ স্থানে রয়েছে।

চারিটি সংগঠন সাসটেইনেবল নেটওয়ার্কশীপ লন্ডন ফুড লিংক এই রিপোর্ট প্রকাশ করেছে। এই রিপোর্টে লন্ডনের বারাগুলোতে স্বাস্থ্যকর খাবার গ্রহণের ব্যাপারে অগ্রগতির উপর আলোকপাত করা হয়েছে। রিপোর্টে স্বাস্থ্যকর খাবার বিষয়ে উৎসাহিত করার জন্যে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসে প্রবর্তিত বিনামূল্যে স্কুলে ইয়ার ওয়ানের শিশুদের খাবার সরবরাহের কথা ও হেলথ এওয়ার্ডস স্কীমের জন্যে এভার গ্রোয়িং সাকসেসফুল ফুডের কথা উল্লেখ করা হয়েছে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, “টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস বারা সব সময় স্বাস্থ্যকর খাবার গ্রহণে উৎসাহিত করার লক্ষ্যে উদ্ভাবন পন্থা অবলম্বন করে থাকে। আমরা আমাদের অতীতের সাফল্য থেকে ভবিষ্যতের দিকে এগিয়ে যাচ্ছি। আমরা শিশুদের রিসেপশন ইয়ার ওয়ান থেকে স্বাস্থ্য বিষয়ে সচেতন করার লক্ষ্যে ফ্রি-স্কুল খাবার প্রবর্তন করেছি যাতে আমাদের ভবিষ্যত প্রজন্ম স্বাস্থ্যকর খাবার গ্রহণে অভ্যস্ত হয়ে উঠে।”

হেলথ এন্ড ওয়েলবিয়িং এর কেবিনেট মেম্বর কাউন্সিলর আব্দুল আসাদ বলেন, “২৩০টিরও বেশি ব্যবসা প্রতিষ্ঠান হেলথ এওয়ার্ডের জন্যে অংশ গ্রহণ করছে। বাসিন্দারা স্থানীয় বাজারে তাজা ফল ও শাক-সব্জী বর্ধিত হারে পাচ্ছেন, এ ছাড়াও স্থানীয় ভাবেও খাদ্য উৎপাদন করা হচ্ছে।”

#### হাফটার্মে বারায় ফুটবল

#### কোচিং কোর্স

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল ২৮শে অক্টোবর থেকে ৩রা নভেম্বর পর্যন্ত হাফটার্মে দুটি ফুটবল কোচিং কোর্সের আয়োজন করেছে।

লন্ডন এফএ এর টিউটররা মাইলএন্ডে ১৬ বছরের অধিক বয়সীদের ৬ দিন ব্যাপি প্রশিক্ষণ দেবেন।

এই কোর্সে অংশগ্রহণ করার জন্যে ১৬ জন তাদের নাম অন্তর্ভুক্ত করেছেন। টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল এই কোর্সের আংশিক অর্থায়ন করবে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, “স্থানীয় কোচবৃন্দ প্রশিক্ষণ গ্রহণ করার সুবর্ণ সুযোগ পেয়েছেন পরবর্তী পর্যায়ে তারা লব্ধ জ্ঞান বারার মধ্যে প্রসারিত করবেন, মাইলএন্ড পার্কের সুযোগ-সুবিধা ট্রেনিং প্রদান ও ট্রেনিং গ্রহণের জন্যে উপযুক্ত স্থান।”

মাইল এন্ড স্টেডিয়ামে আরো কয়েকটি এথলেটিক কোচিং কোর্স অনুষ্ঠিত হয়েছে, এই সেন্টারে আরো শিক্ষণীয় উদ্যোগ ভবিষ্যতেও নেয়া হবে।

হেলথ এন্ড ওয়েলবিয়িং এর কেবিনেট মেম্বর কাউন্সিলর আব্দুল আসাদ বলেন, “খেলাধুলা শরীর স্বাস্থ্য সুস্থ রাখার মাধ্যম, আমি কোচদের স্বাগত জানাচ্ছি।”

■ The above stories are: new graduate scheme; faith buildings grants; Tower Hamlets leads healthy food initiatives; football coaching course.

# হাউজিং বরাদ্দে নতুন নীতিমালা

## Making housing allocations fairer – issue 982

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল ও তার রেজিস্টার্ড সহযোগি হাউজিং সংস্থাগুলোর বাসস্থান বরাদ্দ নীতির ব্যাপারে বেশ কিছু পরিবর্তন আনা হয়েছে এসব পরিবর্তনে আরো অনুকূল, সহজ উপায়ে ও দ্রুত সময়ে যেসব বাসিন্দার বাসস্থান প্রয়োজন তাদের জন্যে বাসস্থান বরাদ্দ করা হবে। আর্থিক বছরের শেষদিকে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস আরো ৪ হাজার এফরডেবল বাড়ি-ঘর নির্মাণের উদ্যোগ নিয়েছে যা অন্যান্য বারার চাইতে অধিক। বর্তমানে বারায় ২২ হাজার লোক ওয়েটিং লিস্টে রয়েছেন এই তুলনায় ঘরবাড়ির পরিমাণ অগ্রতুল। বর্তমানে লেজিসলেশনে পরিবর্তন আসার ফলে স্থানীয় জনগণের প্রয়োজনের উপর ভিত্তি করে কাউন্সিল তাদের লেটিং পলিসি ও হাউজিং এলোকেশন প্রাকটিশে পরিবর্তন আনার স্বাধীনতা পেয়েছে। গত বছরে পর্যালোচনার ভিত্তিতে জনগণের নিকট থেকে যে মন্তব্য পাওয়া গেছে তার উপর

ভিত্তি করে কাউন্সিল বাসস্থান বরাদ্দের নীতি ও প্রক্রিয়ার ব্যাপারে বেশ কিছু পরিবর্তন এনেছে যার ফলে যাদের বাসস্থান প্রয়োজন তাদের অনুকূলে দ্রুত ব্যবস্থা গ্রহণ করা হবে। এই নতুন নীতিমালার ফলে যারা বছরে বি-ফোর ট্যাক্স ৮৫ হাজার পাউন্ড আয় করেন তাদেরকে ওয়েটিং লিস্টে রাখা হবে না। ইতোপূর্বে আয়ের বিষয়টির ব্যাপারে কোন বাধ্যবাধকতা ছিল না যে কেউ যোগ দিতে পারতেন। কেউ তিনবার হাউজিং অফার প্রত্যাখান করলে তাকে ১২ মাসের জন্যে তার হাউজিং ব্যান্ডের সর্বনিম্ন পর্যায়ে নামানো হবে। এরপর আবার যদি অফার প্রত্যাখান করেন তাহলে তাদেরকে তালিকার সর্বনিম্ন পর্যায়ে নামানো হবে। ইতোপূর্বে লোকজন বার বার অফার প্রত্যাখান করতো, গড়ে ৪ বার অফার প্রত্যাখান করতো যার ফলে বাসস্থান বরাদ্দ প্রক্রিয়া ধীর হয়ে পড়ে। প্রত্যেক বিজ্ঞপ্তি চক্রে পত্যেকটি

প্রপারটির জন্যে তিনটি বিড করা যাবে। ইতোপূর্বে প্রচুর পরিমাণে বিড করা ও বার বার অফার প্রত্যাখান করা হত। গত বছর যে পরিমাণ বিড করা হয়েছিল এতে ২ মিলিয়ন পাউন্ড প্রশাসনিক ব্যয় হয়েছে এখন সীমিত বিড করার ফলে প্রশাসনিক ব্যয় ও হ্রাস হবে। স্বয়ংক্রিয় ভাবে বিড করার ব্যাপারটি নিয়ন্ত্রণ করা হবে না। হাউজিং এর তালিকায় যোগ দিতে হলে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসে লাগাতার তিন বছর বা তার অধিক সময় ধরে বসবাস করতে হবে। বাড়ির মালিক বা অসামাজিক কার্যকলাপকারীদের তালিকায় অন্তর্ভুক্ত করা হবে না। টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, “এফরডেবল ও উন্নতমানের বাসস্থান প্রদান করা আমার কাছে অগ্রাধিকার, যেসব পরিবারগুলোর বাসস্থানের প্রয়োজন রয়েছে তাদেরকে সহযোগিতা করার জন্যে উন্নত ব্যবস্থা করছি যাতে তারা তাদের বসবাসের উপযোগি বাসস্থান পেতে পারেন সেটাও খুঁজে দেখা প্রয়োজন।

হাউজিং এর কেবিনেট মেম্বর কাউন্সিলর রাবিনা খান বলেন, “আগের ব্যবস্থায় কেন্দ্রীয় সরকারের খবরদারি করার সুযোগ ছিল, সেখানে হাউজিং রেজিস্টারে যোগ দেয়ার ব্যাপারে কম বিধি নিষেধ ছিল।

বর্তমানে যে নীতিমালা করা হয়েছে এতে স্বল্প আয়ের লোকদের জন্যে এটা খাপ খাবে। যাদের বাসস্থানের প্রকৃত প্রয়োজন কালক্ষেপন না করে তাদেরকে দ্রুত সময়ে বাসস্থান বরাদ্দ করা সম্ভব হবে।”

সেবা প্রদানকে আরো সহজ ও কার্যকর করার জন্যে আবেদন করেছেন এমন যাদের চোখে দেখতে অসুবিধা আছে তাদের জন্যে হোমসিকার্স ওয়েবসাইট ব্রাউজ এলাউড রয়েছে। মব-ইলে বিডিং সুবিধা প্রদান করা হয়েছে। লিফটসহ বাসস্থান, এফরডেবল রেটেড ইত্যাদি প্রপারটি খোজা হচ্ছে। ৬টি কমিউনিটি ল্যাপ্সুয়েজে ইন্টারনেট বা টেলিফোনে বিডিং করার সুযোগ রয়েছে।

বিস্তারিত তথ্যের জন্যে হোমসিকার্সের ওয়েবসাইট - [www.thhs.org.uk](http://www.thhs.org.uk)

## ফায়ার স্টেশন বন্ধের সিদ্ধান্তের বিরুদ্ধে লন্ডন মেয়রের বিরুদ্ধে কোর্টে মামলা

ফায়ার স্টেশন বন্ধের লন্ডন মেয়রের সিদ্ধান্তের বিরুদ্ধে ৭টি কাউন্সিল যে জুডিশিয়ারি রিভিউয়ের আবেদন করেছে কোর্ট তার শুনানির তারিখ দিয়েছে।

২৬-২৮ শে নভেম্বর ওয়েস্ট লন্ডনের রয়েল কোর্ট অফ জাস্টিসে শুনানির তারিখ ধার্য করা হয়েছে এতে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস, ইজলিংটন, লুইসাম এবং সাদার্ক কাউন্সিলের প্রতিনিধিবৃন্দ উপস্থিত থাকবেন বলে জানা গেছে।

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লকেল গভর্নমেন্ট সেক্রেটারি এরিক পিকল কাউন্সিলগুলোর আবেদন প্রত্যাখান করায় লন্ডন ফায়ার এন্ড ইমার্জেন্সি প্র্যানিং অথরিটির প্রস্তাবের বিরুদ্ধে আইনি লড়াইয়ের পদক্ষেপ গ্রহণ করেছে। ৭টি কাউন্সিল যুক্তি দিয়ে দেখিয়েছে যে লন্ডনের ঘনবসতি, সন্ত্রাসীদের সম্ভাব্য আক্রমণ ও পর্যটকদের আকর্ষণ, সোশ্যাল এবং

ছাত্রাবাস, সুউচ্চ ভবন ইত্যাদি ঝুঁকির মধ্যে পড়বে। মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, “ফায়ার স্টেশন বন্ধ করা বা ফায়ার ইঞ্জিনের সংখ্যা কমানো হলে জনজীবন ঝুঁকির মধ্যে পড়বে। ফায়ার সার্ভিসের ব্যাপারে মেয়র বরিস জনসনের অর্থ সংকোচনের নীতির বিরুদ্ধে আমরা কমিউনিটির জন্যে সব কিছু করবো।”



More than 100 years after St Joseph's Hospice opened its doors, East End Life was given an extraordinary insight into how the ideals of the founders are being exceeded in many ways, as **Jessica Odubayo** reports. Photos by **Rehan Jamil**.

# Comfort and care

**HISTORIC accounts of the opening of St Joseph's Hospice describe the event in January 1905 as a day of profound, joyful thanksgiving.**

The same account tells how the hospice, which is situated on the edge of Bethnal Green, opened at a time when contagious diseases and malnutrition were rife among the badly housed poor, tuberculosis relentlessly claimed the lives of the

(Right) Eileen Millsom, who set up the Doodle Club says being able to chat with other patients, makes life worth living



Ward manager Debbie Pegram has a laugh with Sylvia, who was receiving respite care



young and hospitals could not cope with hopeless cases.

People with incurable conditions had only two options: they could either die in deplorable institutions or in the dire poverty of their own crowded homes.

The Sisters of Charity, who founded St Joseph's, hoped to offer an alternative in which people in the East End would have a home in which they could die in peace.

Today St Joseph's, which cares for people with life limiting conditions, is a place that helps maximise the quality of life for those who use its services.

Dispelling some often misconceived notions about hospices, Ruth Bradley, director of care services at St Joseph's, said: "People often feel that hospices are for those who are dying or for anyone with terminal cancer.

"Our services are



Peggy Pel and her brother Patrick Doyle, from Bow, who visits the hospice for respite

much broader. We manage symptoms of complex illnesses, such as severe pain, breathlessness, distress and anxiety.

"Our staff support and advise individuals about medication and how to manage symptoms, and families and friends of patients are included in the context of the support we provide."

St Joseph's works with patients from Tower Hamlets, Hackney and Newham and, in recent times, the hospice has also carried out focused work to link with minority communities, to provide a better understanding about its work and to generate conversations about death and dying.

Ruth explained that a team of clinical nurse specialists, GPs, physiotherapists and other staff work in partnership to care for people who prefer to be at home towards the end of life. In the past year, 1,068 people have ac-



Sarah Christie, Albert Hunter and Conrad

cessed care from the community palliative care team and it cared for 519 inpatients.





care



Samuel are in the art club

In addition to staff, more than 400 volunteers support St Joseph's with their skills,

time and expertise in areas including administration, befriending, reading to patients, supporting the bereaved, facilitating days out or helping to run a fundraising jumble sale.

Lynn-Marie, who reads to patients on the wards, said: "I see it as putting in, rather than giving up, time – I soon came to see it as very positive for me and the people I am reading to. I feel that St Joseph's honour what volunteering is all about – not just giving up time.

"It feels like it's about sharing something and that's what I love about it. So when I go home I feel very fulfilled and I like to think the person I have been reading to feels comforted."

Volunteers offer many skills to the hospice. "For example, the jumble sales often raise anything between £15-£18,000 and provide a major contribution to our income," the Ruth said.

Although all care at St Joseph's is provided free, the hospice must raise at least £7 million a year, in addition to the support it receives from the NHS.

Ward manager Debbie Pegram told East End Life that she has been in the nursing profession for more than 30 years but St Joseph's, which she joined 18 months ago, has been the best place she has worked.

"The community spirit within the hospice and being able to support people at a very difficult time of life, are some of the things I appreciate about working here," Debbie said.

Sylvia Mars, 85, first came in contact with St Joseph's two years ago, when she had heart failure.

On her most recent visit, she was receiving respite care, giving her daughter, who is her main carer, a much-needed break. Sylvia, who has lived in east London for 52 years, said staff were nice and very helpful.

In another area of the hospice, a group of patients were sharing their experiences of illness and supporting each other.

The event, called Finding Space, is a fortnightly drop-in session, co-ordinated by information officer Rachael Yearwood.

"The group has been going for about 18 months and is guided by those who attend. It offers relaxation therapies, workshops and social activities," Rachael said.

Eileen Milsom, a patient who has been in touch with the hospice for six years, set up an art group called the Doodle Club, and said Finding Space and being able to chat with other patients helped make life worth living.

Laurie Allen agreed: "The Doodle Club draws me away from my illness. I look forward to it greatly," the Spitalfields resident said.

Conrad Samuel, 78, who had throat cancer ten years ago, said: "The staff and services at St Joseph's are second to none."

For some of those being cared for by St

**(Above l-r) Health care assistant Peter Cox and information officer Rachael Yearwood help run the day hospice and fortnightly patient drop in sessions respectively**

**(Top l-r) Staff Rose Mulligan and Sophie Jarman; senior physiotherapist Kim Barlow helps Bethnal Green resident Ronnie Pridgeon achieve some of his personal health goals; Anissa Brir and Margaret Logue; Ruth Bradley, director of care services.**

Joseph's, treatment is about attaining realistic short-term goals as well as being given the flexibility to set their own pace.

The day hospice supports patients who may have been referred by their GP, the community palliative care team, physiotherapists or other sources.

It offers group or individual activities, access to councillors, a quiet room and access to the respite ward.

Peter Cox, a health care assistant in the day hospice, said: "I have worked at St Joseph's for 20 years. I enjoy giving the best quality of life to people by listening, nursing and playing a broad role. I love it."

Kim Barlow, a senior physiotherapist, responsible for Tower Hamlets residents, works with day and outpatients to help achieve such goals.

"This may involve working with a patient with breathlessness, pain or mobility problems. Goals may include environmental changes in the home, to make it better suited to an individual's need or even promoting confidence so that patients can talk about their feelings and emotions," Kim said.

Ronnie Pridgeon, who lives in Bethnal Green, said his goals included being able to manage breathlessness and anxiety, keep mobile and remain in his home. He attends St Joseph's for respite care and physiotherapy in the hospice gym.

Whether helping patients make the most of their days or providing comfort and care at the end of life, St Joseph's looks set to be a part of the community for years to come.

■ St Joseph's is at Mare Street, E8 – the general phone number is 8525 6000 and the number for referrals for the First Contact Team is 030 0303 0400. The website is [www.stjh.org.uk](http://www.stjh.org.uk) and you can follow St Joseph's on twitter @StJoHospice





# Blood brother

Jonathan Goddard plays the infamous vampire count at Wilton's.

[HTTP://WILTONS.ORG.UK](http://wiltons.org.uk)



# Keeping ahead of the field

Told through the eyes of seven women, Crowning Glory, at the Theatre Royal Stratford East, features a series of interwoven monologues to convey the black British female experience.

[WWW.STRATFORDEAST.COM](http://www.stratfordeast.com)

## Out & about guide

### What's on where this week

#### Music

##### Creative Unity steel band

Steel pan classes Thurs, 6.30-8.30pm.  
St Matthias Community Centre,  
113 Poplar High Street, E14.  
07808 847974

#### Parent & child

##### Dance play

Dance and movement for parents/  
carers and their children aged 1-4.  
Weds, 10-11am. £3.50/class or £2/class  
if paid termly.  
Language of Dance, Oxford House,  
Derbyshire Street, E2.  
7749 1131

##### Island Tots

For childminders, parents and kids  
ages 0-4. Mon-Fri, 1-3pm, term-time.  
55 Club, Samuda Estate, Stewart St, E14.  
7538 3292

##### Toyhouse library

Mons, 1.30-3.30pm, Halley Primary  
School, Halley Street, E14. Tues, 2-  
3.30pm, Cayley School, Aston Street,  
E14. Weds, 9.20-10.45am, Harry  
Roberts Nursery, Harford Street, E1.  
1-2pm, TH Opportunity Playgroup, 583  
Commercial Road, E1. 9-11am, Old  
Church Nursery, Walter Terrace, E1.  
9-11am, Alice Model Nursery School, 14  
Beaumont Grove, E1.

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gov.uk](mailto:eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

#### Comedy

##### The Rhythm Factory Comedy Club

MC Geoff Alderman introduces  
Bentley Browning, Steve Roberts,  
Stoph D, Christian Brighty, Martin  
Semple, Robbie Ommrod, Ryan Theivam,  
Dan West and Fin Carew. Free.  
Mon, Oct 28, 8pm.  
Rhythm Factory,  
16-18 Whitechapel Road, E1.  
7375 3774

#### Exhibition

##### Liz Deschenes

American artist pushes photography  
into abstraction, creating hazy, stark,  
minimal pieces in unusual positions.  
Free.  
Until Dec 14. Tues-Sat.  
Opening times vary.  
Campoli Presti,  
223 Cambridge Heath Road, E2.  
7739 4632

#### Music

##### Monday's Red Sky At Night

Weekly night of folk, roots, blues,  
gypsy jazz and Americana from  
London buskers and bands. £4.  
Mon, Oct 28, 7pm.  
Jamboree, 566 Cable Street, E1.  
[www.jamboreevenue.co.uk](http://www.jamboreevenue.co.uk)

#### Theatre

##### Dracula

Mark Bruce's company of ten  
dancers bring Bram Stoker's



#### Canary Wharf Ice Rink

Skaters can glide  
across the 1,100sq  
rink, down a dram in  
the rinkside bar or  
just watch the action  
from the viewing  
gallery. There's also a  
glittering skate path  
through trees lit by  
fairy lights. Under-  
13s must be  
accompanied on the  
ice by an adult.  
Daily from 10am  
until Feb 16. £13.50, £9  
under-13s, £36.50  
family ticket.  
Canada Square Park,  
Canary Wharf, E14.  
[www.icerink  
canarywharf.co.uk](http://www.icerink.com)

haunting, erotic tale to life in a  
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dance theatre production. £25.  
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## The face behind the fest

London International Arts Festival curator Jyotsna Srikanth is an Indian violinist and composer who has performed with masters such as Dr M Balamuralikrishna and Kadri Gopalnath.

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## Out & About

# Abstract from the Big Apple

**GALLERY DegreeArt is hosting a residency by State University of New York graduate Laura Fishman.**

Entitled High Viscosity, due to the artist's unusual use of paint, it features abstract canvases, with opaque and translucent layers of dripped and poured paint worked until the results produce surfaces that are highly coloured and richly textured.

During the residency in Bethnal

Green, Laura will transform the gallery space with three dimensional paintings, installation, video and sculpture.

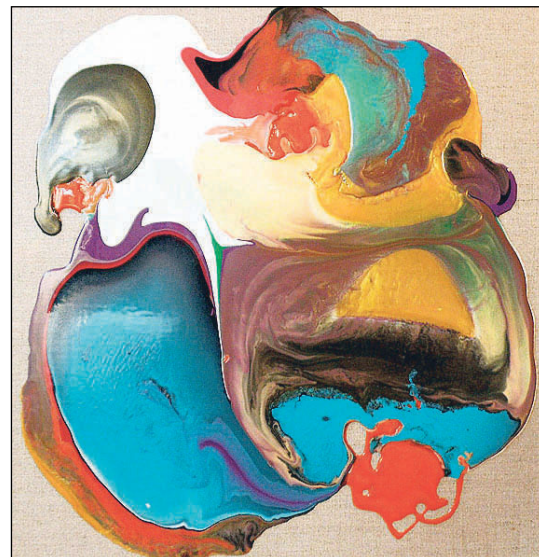
Laura will also be collaborating with a designer Dervin Batarlo to produce a hybrid fashion piece that will hang from the ceiling.

The residency will also feature a HD video, directed by Amnon Ron, which will present a microscopic scene, revealing a close-up of the impact of raw materials on liquids

in various viscosities. The artist is running workshops on Saturdays, November 9 and December 7. High Viscosity runs from October 28 until December 16, daily from 12-6 pm. Entry is free.

The gallery is at 12a Vyner Street, E2. Visit [www.degreeart.com](http://www.degreeart.com) for details.

**Turbulence (right) is one of Laura Fishman paintings on display at DegreeArt**



## News in brief

### Library exhibition

A NEW photographic exhibition capturing the sights and characters of the East End in the 1960s and 1970s is on at Bethnal Green Library.

Copies of the black and white photos, taken by professional photographer Mike Pattison, are available to buy in aid of the Bethnal Green Tube memorial.

Entry is free and the library is open 10am-6pm, Mondays to Saturdays until November 16.

There will also be an auction of some of the photographs (framed) and several paintings and hand-painted china at the library on Thursday, November 14 from 6-8pm.

Bethnal Green Library is in Bethnal Green Gardens, Cambridge Heath Road, E2.

# The world on your doorstep

BY RUSSELL COTMAN

**RICH Mix lives up to its name with the return of the London International Arts Festival.**

Running over this weekend and next with events at both Rich Mix and the Kenneth More Theatre in Ilford, the festival is packed with artists performing a host of music styles, from jazz to classical, and world music to contemporary western.

Now in its second year and hosted by world music and radio presenters DJ Ritu and Ashanti Omkar, it will see a range of events and concerts from Indian Bharatanayam dance, British Asian contemporary beats, fusion Greek folk music, Polish music, as well as vocalists and musicians from the South Indian Carnatic genre, accompanied by a whole programme of workshops.

Festival curator Jyotsna Srikanth, an Indian violinist and composer, said: "I want to build on the success of last year, where we had 7,000 people attend our festival.

"2013 sees us working with award-winning artists and musical legends as well as emerging artists showcasing their work.

"This year's festival promises to be a magical journey and a wonderful insight for Londoners into the

delights the international arts scene has to offer."

Among the star attractions are rock band Indian Ocean. Formed in New Delhi, they are considered to be the pioneers of the fusion folk rock genre in India, with a style described as 'Indo-rock fusion with jazz-spiced rhythms that integrates shlokas, sufism, environmentalism, mythology and revolution'.

Singer Peny Papakonstantinou fuses traditional and modern Greek music, while a performance entitled Shanti Shanti Shanti sees three well-travelled musicians, led by trumpeter Shanti Jayasinha exploring the links between South Indian, Cuban, African music and jazz.

Mosaic fuse traditional Polish music with sounds of the Orient and world music music, and Bangalore Dreams by Jyotsna Srikanth Project is rooted in South Indian musical tradition, combining Indian classical and other contemporary styles.

Having featured on the soundtrack of over 200 Indian films, the band's sound is rooted in Indian Carnatic music, interweaved with jazz and other contemporary flavours.

As well as the music, there will be food,

shopping and children's activities.

For further information and to buy tickets visit [www.liaf.co.uk](http://www.liaf.co.uk)



## Syria concert

HUMAN Appeal's 12-city charity concert tour in aid of Syria comes to the Troxy next week.

Sounds of Light, on Sunday, November 13, is headlined by the multi-platinum musician Maher Zain.

There will also be performances by singer-songwriter Raef and Awakening Talent's winner Harris J (UK). Comedian Omar Regan and Islam Channel presenter Na'eem Raza will be hosting the events.

Tickets range from £20 to £100, children get in for a tenner. Buy them at [www.troxy.co.uk](http://www.troxy.co.uk)

The Troxy is at 490 Commercial Road, E1.

## Weekend comedy

THE Sunday Roast at the Backyard Comedy Club serves up a hearty feast of comedy and chat this Sunday, November 3.

Hosted by Scottish comic Bruce Devlin, it promises to be a night full of laughs, insightful interviews and insider gossip.

Celebrity guests this week are Jo Caulfield, Gail Porter, Carl Donnelly and Wendy Wason.

It starts at 7.30pm at the club, at 231 Cambridge Heath Road, E2.

To book tickets, costing £5, visit [www.backyardcomedyclub.co.uk](http://www.backyardcomedyclub.co.uk)

# A right Royal recap of the black British women's experience



**MONOLOGUES, when done right, can be more revealing than the form would otherwise suggest.**

Somalia Seaton's *Crowning Glory* is a shining example. In the space of seven voices, the play manages to reveal the ideas, tensions and concerns of millions.

Focused around the black British female experience, *Crowning Glory* tackles questions of beauty, perception and

the role of the west in forming an image of the perfect woman.

Writing a play about such a large subject is a tall order, but *Crowning Glory* doesn't look to be a comprehensive guide. Instead it aims to spark discussion in a way lacking in mainstream press, which it does and then some.

Funny, energetic and emotional, highlights include one woman's thought

process after an insensitive question during a date, and a white Liverpoolian's uncomfortable attempt to seem culturally sensitive. Highly recommended.

*Crowning Glory* is being performed at Theatre Royal Stratford East until Saturday, November 9. Post-show discussions will be held on October 29 and November 5.

By Mike Brown



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For more information call the Integrated Youth and Community Services team on 020 7364 4839 or email [Akhlaqul.Ambia@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:Akhlaqul.Ambia@towerhamlets.gov.uk).

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### Eating out, eating in

# Superfood and spinach, with a pizza on the side

BY AVARICIOUS ARCHIE

ON this particular day my regular lunch pest, life-style coach and brutally honest agony aunt and I ventured in to Jubilee Place at Canary Wharf to see what culinary delights were available.

After a couple of abortive attempts due to my pickiness, we plumped for Wildwood, one of the many restaurants with seating opening on to the mall.

The restaurant was very lively during this lunchtime and there was a pleasant hubbub that was in no way intrusive and added to the overall ambience, a bit reminiscent of a school dining hall.

We were promptly seated by our attentive waiter and menus were swiftly presented to us.

The menu at Wildwood is kind of Italian based with a focus on pizzas and pastas with a doffed cap to what is currently in vogue such as a peri-peri chicken here and a Hoi Sin duck there.

After some deliberation, I decided that I wouldn't veer far



Wildwood is a very lively place to have lunch

from my well-trodden route and selected spicy meat calzone whilst my pescatarian lunch companion chose the decidedly healthy superfood salad with smoked mackerel and a spinach gratin on the side. Mint and raspberry lemonades were our drinks of choice.

They were delectable, in my case crisp and sharp, full of zesty lemon flavour. But, to me,

it passed as a quick gulp rather than a drink – a pet peeve of mine about glass sizes in general rather than those in this restaurant in particular.

Our food arrived promptly and was very pleasing to the eye. Unfortunately, I made the school-boy error of adding chilli oil to a dish already containing chillies before trying it which meant I got an overriding jolt. But to be

fair, the dish was well executed.

The superfood salad was a feast for the eyes and the taste buds. In a location where there are a wide range of 'healthy food' purveyors I would put this up against most of them in a straight contest, confident that it would have a better than reasonable chance of besting them.

It was pretty simple, really fresh ingredients, served without too much fussing – very nice indeed.

But the standout dish was the spinach gratin – so tasty and so good that we seriously contemplated ordering a second!

The only low point was that I ordered an Eton mess for dessert, which we had to cancel due to it not arriving within our allotted lunch period.

That aside, I would heartily recommend Wildwood for the overall quality of food and the level of service.

Our meal came to a very reasonable £27.25.

Wildwood is at 22-23 Jubilee Place, Canary Wharf, E14. Tel: 7719 1213.

## Sweet spud you like in veg pie

**EVEN if you're a meat eater, having a vegetarian day is very good for both your health and the planet.**

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### Vegetarian sweet potato cottage pie

#### Ingredients

500g pack vegetarian mince  
1 medium onion, chopped  
2 cloves garlic, crushed  
1 tbsp mixed herbs  
1 tin chopped tomatoes  
1 tsp chilli or paprika powder  
3 tbsp tomato puree

1kg sweet potatoes (peeled and chopped)  
200g low fat grated Cheddar cheese  
1 tbsp sunflower oil  
3 tbsp semi-skimmed milk  
400g frozen peas  
400g frozen green beans

#### Method

1. Wash vegetables, peel and chop.
2. Heat frying pan, add the oil and vegetarian mince and cook for 6 minutes.
3. Add onions, mixed herbs, chilli powder, chopped tomatoes, tomato purée and crushed garlic and simmer for 15 minutes.
4. Steam the vegetables. Once sweet potatoes are soft, remove

and mash, add a splash of semi-skimmed milk.

5. Once vegetable mince and sauce is ready, pour into the bottom of an oven-proof dish. Add a thick layer of the mashed sweet potato and sprinkle with the low fat grated cheese.
6. Place the oven-proof glass dish under the grill until cheese is slightly golden brown.
7. Serve with peas and beans.

By Kate Sparkes,  
associate nutritionist, Barts Health NHS Trust

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JOE JOSEPH, PEABODY'S DIRECTOR OF RESIDENT SERVICES

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### Property

## Organic growers win top prizes

**A TRIO of food growers from Spitalfields have won top prize at a national competition for organic gardeners.**

More than 215 volunteer master composters, gardeners and seed stewards attended the national Volunteer Masters Conference organised by Garden Organics, a charity for organic growing.

A major highlight of the day was the volunteer masters awards ceremony, which saw individual and group achievements recognised and rewarded within four key categories.

The Zimbabwe Association, which nurtures a new plot at Spitalfields City Farm, won the group achievement award in recognition of their impact within the community. The plot has produced armfuls of nutritious food, which has been shared with staff and volunteers.

Olivia Burt, project co-ordinator at the farm, said: "The Zimbabwe Association have taught us about their traditional crops, cooked for us, sung for us and hugged us. They are an inspiration to work with and they have made the farm a brighter place to be."



**BUDDING** entrepreneurs who attended a pop-up business school said they received valuable advice and support from the courses. More than 70 people, including Karen Shand and Joanna Whelan (pictured), with business ideas ranging from wedding planning to vintage clothes, detox juices and personal training, attended the two-week scheme run by housing organisation Poplar Harca.

## Food vouchers are set to help struggling families

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

**A SOCIAL housing landlord has struck a deal with food banks in Tower Hamlets and other parts of the capital to issue food vouchers directly to residents.**

Members of the Peabody tenant family and support team have been trained to issue the vouchers to residents across 28 London boroughs.

Teams in Tower Hamlets are working with a food bank in Spitalfields, the Bethnal Green Mis-

sion, as well as the Salvation Army in Poplar.

Team manager Danny Cordiner said: "Over the past year we've noticed a rise in calls from people who have no money to buy food. In the past, we would refer people to other agencies, but we've recently been approved to issue food bank vouchers directly to residents in need."

The vouchers will provide enough food for three days, the larger the family, the larger the food parcel. Peabody's director of resident services Joe

Joseph said: "With thousands of families struggling to put food on the table, we are doing our bit to help people in crisis."

"For many people on low incomes, a sudden crisis – redundancy or even an unexpected bill – can mean going hungry. Emergency food can be a much-needed lifeline, helping to prevent family breakdown, housing loss, crime and mental health problems."

Peabody, which manages 1,300 homes in Tower Hamlets, is the first housing provider to issue vouchers in every borough.

It has also launched a guide for employees on what to consider when making referrals.

Staff are being encouraged to donate tinned food which will be distributed to the food banks that need it the most.

And where vouchers are issued, Peabody will offer support to residents – such as advice on managing money and support into employment – to help them resolve their financial problems.

For further information contact the tenants family support team on 7021 4491.



## Make it a green Halloween

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Support Charges apply to **all Sheltered homes for the Over 60's**. This will be covered by Supporting People Subsidy **if you are entitled to Housing Benefit or other benefits**. Subsidy is also available for individuals not in receipt of benefit in some cases. If you need information about financial help, please contact the Lettings Team on 020 7364 0204/0206 or ask for a copy of our leaflet '**Support Charges in long term Supporting People Services**'. This is also available on our website [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk).

Further information on homes advertised is available at One Stop Shops & Neighbourhood Housing Offices

## Key for Accessible Housing Register

Some people require a home that is accessible. These homes are coded as follows:

Category	Description
<b>A Wheelchair Accessible</b>	Purpose built to meet most recent wheelchair housing standards
<b>B Partially Wheelchair Accessible</b>	Designed to older wheelchair housing standards
<b>C Life time Homes</b>	Specifically designed to create an accessible and adaptable home
<b>D Easy Access</b>	Designed to be spacious with no steps to the property
<b>E Step-free</b>	General housing with no steps to the property
<b>F General Housing</b>	Does not meet requirements for other categories
<b>G Not assessed</b>	Property not yet had access survey

Vulnerable applicants who need help and information regarding their housing application and with finding suitable accessible and/or adapted homes, contact the Lettings Client Support Team on 020 7364 0204 / 0206 / 0209.



**1. Internet Bidding**  
Just log on to [www.thhs.org.uk](http://www.thhs.org.uk)



**2. Telephone Bidding**  
Simply call 0845 270 2400

## Permit Transfer Scheme: for residents moving to 3 bedroom or larger social rented car free homes

The Mayor of Tower Hamlets introduced the new Permit Transfer Scheme (PTS) to operate from 5 September 2011 to help to reduce the levels of overcrowding in social rented housing in the borough. The PTS helps some families move to larger social rented car free homes by allowing them to retain one on-street resident car parking permit, subject to the PTS criteria as outlined below being met. The PTS is a change in the operation of the Council's existing on-street Residents' Parking Permit Scheme.

## CAR FREE HOMES No on-street residents' parking permits issued

The Council's 'car free homes' planning policy was introduced in Tower Hamlets in the late 1990s to help reduce traffic congestion and better manage the limited supply of on-street parking spaces. This initiative also helps to reduce the level of air pollution from motor vehicles and encourages more people to walk, cycle and go by public transport.

The Transport for London (TfL) Cycle Hire scheme ([www.tfl.gov.uk/cycling](http://www.tfl.gov.uk/cycling)) and local pay-as-you-go car clubs ([www.carplus.org.uk](http://www.carplus.org.uk)) are also now available in Tower Hamlets to help you get around in healthier, greener ways.

If you live in a car free home, you will not be able to apply for on-street residents' car parking permits, unless you hold a disabled driver's blue badge or are eligible under the Permit Transfer

Scheme (PTS), which is targeted at social rented housing residents. The criteria for the PTS is as follows:

1. applies to residents moving to 3 bedroom or larger social rented car free homes;
2. only one on-street resident parking permit per household is permitted;
3. you must have held your on-street car parking permit for at least 1 year prior to moving home;
4. your on-street parking permit must be renewed and **not lapse to remain eligible** under the scheme;
5. the tenant is responsible for providing proof of PTS eligibility to Parking Services (including a duly signed and dated Tower Hamlets Homes or housing association approved tenancy agreement); and

6. the PTS was introduced on (and operates from) 5 September 2011 by Tower Hamlets Council and **is not retrospective**.

Residents in car free homes can apply for a temporary parking permit for visiting trades people for £5 a day. To qualify, written proof of the work to be carried out must be provided, along with the vehicle's details. Each home can apply for a maximum of 20 one-day-permits within a 6 month period.

Alternatively, scratchcards are available for trades people and visitors, providing parking for up to five hours on weekdays and all day on weekends. Households can apply for up to 3 books of 10 scratchcards per year. For permit charges and information, visit [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/parking](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/parking)



# Housing Demand

Demand by bedroom need and Banding as at 16/10/2013

Bedroom(s) needed	Band 1A	Band 1B	Band 2	Band 3	Total
1 bed	734	358	1,993	6,299	9,384
2 bed	576	113	2,031	1,876	4,020
3 bed	250	129	3,945	953	5,027
4 bed	113	68	1,295	118	1,481
5 bed +	18	4	169	12	185
Total Current Demand	1,691	672	9,433	9,258	21,054
Total Lets 01/04/2013 to 30/09/2013	233	200	433	32	907*

\*907 includes 9 lets to Band 4 applicants rehoused before Allocations Scheme changes went live on 17th October 2013.

Homes Let from 01/04/2013 to 30/09/2013

Bedroom size	Band 1A	Band 1B	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4	Total
(Bedsit) 0	3	14	30	1	0	48
1	88	123	63	23	7	304
2	75	24	242	5	2	348
3	43	29	87	3	0	162
4	23	8	8	0	0	39
5	1	2	3	0	0	6
6	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	233	200	433	32	9	907

Landlord and property type of homes let

Landlord	Bungalow	Flat	House	Maisonette	Total
COUNCIL	3	179	8	48	238
RSL (Registered Social Landlord)	2	512	32	123	669
Total	5	691	40	171	907

Floor level of homes let

Basement	Ground	1st	2nd to 4th	5th to 10th	11+	Total
2	245	174	378	70	38	907

Applicants Currently Waiting (years)

The table below shows the length of time applicants are currently waiting on the Housing list. However, it is NOT an indicator of how long applicants can wait for rehousing.

Bedroom(s) required	1 bed	2 bed	3 bed	4 bed	5 bed +	Total
Up to 1 Year	2,692	1,689	1,179	199	25	5,784
2 Years	1,324	639	716	146	17	2,842
3 Years	1,222	495	648	169	22	2,556
4 Years	928	353	560	168	23	2,032
5 Years	734	237	466	123	19	1,579
6 Years	487	212	331	110	11	1,151
7 Years	491	225	325	133	16	1,190
8 Years	400	130	255	110	13	908
9 Years	338	143	206	92	19	798
10 Years	198	87	158	100	9	552
11 Years	133	67	113	75	6	394
12 Years +	437	319	320	169	23	1,268
Total	9,384	4,596	5,277	1,594	203	21,054

# TOWER HAMLETS HOUSING LIST

## INFORMATION ON HOUSING DEMAND AND LETS

The way we decide housing priority changed on the 20th April 2013.

Please see the Allocations Scheme document for details.

[www.thhs.org.uk](http://www.thhs.org.uk)





**SHELTERED**  
Accessible Category E  
**MOSQUE TOWER, FIELDGATE STREET, E1**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 4th floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • Electric radiators • No garden • Pets not permitted

Eligibility : Min Client Age 55

£158.01, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 28330



**SHELTERED**  
Accessible Category E  
**EDITH RAMSAY HOUSE, DUCKETT STREET, E1**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Pets not permitted

Eligibility : Min Client Age 60

£158.83, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 28329



**SHELTERED**  
Accessible Category B  
**SHAFTESBURY LODGE, UPPER NORTH STREET, E14**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Shared garden • Pets not permitted

Eligibility : Min Client Age 60

£165.70, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Sanctuary HA

Property Ref: 28320



**SHELTERED**  
Accessible Category B  
**HUGH PLATT HOUSE, PATRIOT SQUARE, E2**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

Eligibility : Min Client Age 60

£191.94, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 28328



**SHELTERED**  
Accessible Category E  
**VIC JOHNSON HOUSE, ARMAGH ROAD, E3**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • Electric storage heater • Shared garden • Pets not permitted

Eligibility : Min Client Age 60

£165.00, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 28321



**OVER 50's**  
Accessible Category F  
**SUMMERCOURT ROAD, E1**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission • Life Time. Heating included in charges

Eligibility : Min Client Age 50

£150.52, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Swan Housing Association

Property Ref: 28314



**OVER 50's**  
Accessible Category F  
**STUBBS HOUSE, BONNER STREET, E2**  
Flat • 0 Bed 1 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

Eligibility : Min Client Age 50

£91.21, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28379



**OVER 50's**  
Accessible Category E  
**BENTWORTH COURT, GRANBY STREET, E2**  
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • Ground Floor • Kitchen diner • No Lift • Entryphone • Wet room (walk in shower) • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

Eligibility : Min Client Age 50

£134.20, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28326



**BEDSIT SELF-CONTAINED FLAT**  
Accessible Category F  
**BALLIN COURT, STEWART STREET, E14**  
Flat • 0 Bed 1 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

Eligibility : Min Client Age 50

£96.15, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 28364



**BEDSIT SELF-CONTAINED FLAT**  
Accessible Category G  
**PRIAM HOUSE, OLD BETHNAL GREEN ROAD, E2**  
Flat • 0 Bed 1 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

£104.19, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing

Property Ref: 28327



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category F  
**O'LEARY SQUARE, E1**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

Eligibility : Band 3

£109.75, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28380



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category E  
**HANBURY STREET, E1**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

£109.03, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28370



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category F  
**DONEGAL HOUSE, CAMBRIDGE HEATH ROAD, E1**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£99.75, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28316



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category D  
**CHEADLE HOUSE, COPENHAGEN PLACE, E14**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£113.45, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28306



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category F  
**BARLEYCORN WAY, E14**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Wet room (walk in shower) • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

£115.72, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28333



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category F  
**THREE COLT STREET, E14**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£103.59, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 28367



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category D  
**NEUTRON TOWER, BLACKWALL WAY, E14**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 4th floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • Electric radiators • No garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • All electric-no gas

Eligibility : Band 3

£160.05, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Genesis Housing Association

Property Ref: 28317



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category F  
**CRADFORD HOUSE NORTH, PALMERS ROAD, E2**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 7th floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 2-5 years.

£161.65, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 28312



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category F  
**WINDSOR HOUSE, KNOTTISFORD STREET, E2**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£111.46, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28382



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category F  
**WYNDHAM DEEDES HOUSE, HACKNEY ROAD, E2**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

£104.37, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28309



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category F  
**OLD MARKET SQUARE, BARONESS ROAD, E2**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted  
Preference to Housing Moves applicants

£114.83, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28372



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category F  
**LEADENHAM COURT, SPANBY ROAD, E3**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

Eligibility : Band 3

£116.12, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28337



**1 BEDROOM**  
Accessible Category F  
**SAWMILL YARD, E3**  
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • Electric radiators • Balcony • Pets not permitted

Eligibility : Band 3

£108.24, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Southern Housing Group

Property Ref: 28339



**2 BEDROOMS**  
Accessible Category G  
**SUTTON STREET, E1**  
House • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted

£142.34, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing

Property Ref: 28313










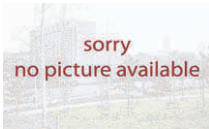














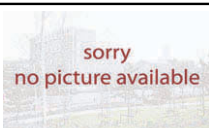


**2 BEDROOMS**  
Accessible Category F  
**CHALKWELL HOUSE, PITSEA STREET, E1**  
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£113.20, Weekly - Social Rent  
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 28365



 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F LIPTON ROAD, E1</p> <p>Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Kitchen diner kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£139.60, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28332</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F SEAGRAVE CLOSE, E1</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 4th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£113.36, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28335</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F WHITE HORSE LANE, E1</p> <p>House • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£123.89, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28376</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F GALWAY HOUSE, WHITE HORSE LANE, E1</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£126.40, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28371</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F CROMARTY HOUSE, BEN JONSON ROAD, E1</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£114.80, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28336</p>
 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category D BANTRY HOUSE, ERNEST STREET, E1</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 5th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£121.67, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28324</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F ANSON HOUSE, SHANDY STREET, E1</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>Eligibility : Homeless Permanent</p> <p>£112.39, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28325</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F LISTER HOUSE, LOMAS STREET, E1</p> <p>Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 7th floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>Eligibility : Band 3</p> <p>£122.69, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28378</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F CASTLETON HOUSE, PIER STREET, E14</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets with landlords permission</p> <p>£129.64, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: EastendHomes</p> <p>Property Ref: 28322</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F FLAT 11, CHRISP STREET, E14</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Shared garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£129.53, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: East Thames Group</p> <p>Property Ref: 28383</p>
 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category D CRADFORD HOUSE SOUTH, PALMERS ROAD, E2</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 5th floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 2-5 years.</p> <p>£192.35, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: One Housing Group</p> <p>Property Ref: 28315</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F CORFIELD STREET, E2</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£115.66, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28373</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category C ST PETERS CLOSE, E2</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • Ground Floor • Open plan kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£132.21, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing</p> <p>Property Ref: 28334</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F MANSFORD STREET, E2</p> <p>Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£140.15, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing</p> <p>Property Ref: 28338</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F BEECHWOOD HOUSE, TEALE STREET, E2</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£127.25, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing</p> <p>Property Ref: 28368</p>
 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category G ACHILLES HOUSE, OLD BETHNAL GREEN ROAD, E2</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£134.94, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing</p> <p>Property Ref: 28319</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F NEWMILL HOUSE, DEVAS STREET, E3</p> <p>Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£129.80, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Poplar HARCA</p> <p>Property Ref: 28307</p>	 <p><b>2 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F VERITY HOUSE, MERCHANT STREET, E3</p> <p>Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission</p> <p>£130.21, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: EastendHomes</p> <p>Property Ref: 28318</p>	 <p><b>3 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F SHADWELL GARDENS, CABLE STREET, E1</p> <p>Flat • 3 Bed 6 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>Eligibility : Transfer List</p> <p>£123.66, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28366</p>	 <p><b>3 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F MANCHESTER ROAD, E14</p> <p>Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission</p> <p>Eligibility : Band 3</p> <p>£139.61, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: EastendHomes</p> <p>Property Ref: 28375</p>
 <p><b>3 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F MARY MACARTHUR HOUSE, WARLEY STREET, E2</p> <p>Flat • 3 Bed 5 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£126.66, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28308</p>	 <p><b>3 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F BERBERIS HOUSE, GALE STREET, E3</p> <p>Flat • 3 Bed 5 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£161.52, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Poplar HARCA</p> <p>Property Ref: 28305</p>	 <p><b>4 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F PELTER STREET, E2</p> <p>Maisonette • 4 Bed 8 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£155.93, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council</p> <p>Property Ref: 28310</p>	 <p><b>4 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F WHITETHORN STREET, E3</p> <p>Maisonette • 4 Bed 7 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£161.52, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Poplar HARCA</p> <p>Property Ref: 28304</p>	 <p><b>8 BEDROOMS</b> Accessible Category F CUTLERS SQUARE, E14</p> <p>House • 8 Bed 13 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted • 2 bathrooms • 2 kitchens • 2 living areas</p> <p>£175.19, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: East Thames Group</p> <p>Property Ref: 28384</p>



# AFFORDABLE RENT PROPERTIES



## Accessible Category G GREEN DRAGON YARD, E1

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Open plan kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 2 years.

£176.00, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 28311



## Accessible Category E SHAW CRESCENT, E14

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted • Life Time.

£155.51, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 28331



## Accessible Category F LOCKSLEY STREET, E14

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted • Life Time.

£164.31, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 28369



## Accessible Category G FARADAY HOUSE, BRIGHTLINGSEA PLACE, E14

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years.

£225.69, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Circle 33 HA

Property Ref: 28374



## Accessible Category G CROSSTREES HOUSE, CASSILIS ROAD, E14

Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • Ground Floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 2 years.

£231.36, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 28385



## Accessible Category C ANDOVER COURT, MINT STREET, E2

Flat • 3 Bed 5 Person • 1st floor • New build • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C and Additional W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

Eligibility : Band 3

£252.69, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28348



## Accessible Category C ANDOVER COURT, MINT STREET, E2

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

Advert represents 2 properties

£218.23, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28349



## Accessible Category C ANDOVER COURT, MINT STREET, E2

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£205.65, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28350



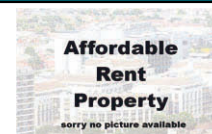
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Advert represents 2 properties

£218.23, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28352



## Accessible Category C ANDOVER COURT, MINT STREET, E2

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 3rd floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

Eligibility : Band 3

£205.65, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28353



## Accessible Category C MINT STREET, E2

Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C and Additional W/C • GCH • Private garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£252.69, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28340



## Accessible Category C MINT STREET, E2

Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C and Additional W/C • GCH • Private garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£252.69, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28341



## Accessible Category C MINT STREET, E2

Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C and Additional W/C • GCH • Private garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£252.69, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28342



## Accessible Category C MINT STREET, E2

Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C and Additional W/C • GCH • Private garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£252.69, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28343



## Accessible Category C MINT STREET, E2

Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C and Additional W/C • GCH • Private garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£252.69, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28344



## Accessible Category C MINT STREET, E2

Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C and Additional W/C • GCH • Private garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£252.69, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28345



## Accessible Category C MINT STREET, E2

Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C and Additional W/C • GCH • Private garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£252.69, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28346



## Accessible Category C MINT STREET, E2

Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C and Additional W/C • GCH • Private garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£252.69, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28347



## Accessible Category C BAHRAM COURT, MINT STREET, E2

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£205.65, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28355



## Accessible Category C BAHRAM COURT, MINT STREET, E2

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • New build • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C and Additional W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

£218.23, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28356



## Accessible Category C BAHRAM COURT, MINT STREET, E2

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

Advert represents 2 properties

£205.65, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28357



## Accessible Category C BAHRAM COURT, MINT STREET, E2

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

Eligibility : Band 3

£218.23, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28359



## Accessible Category C BAHRAM COURT, MINT STREET, E2

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

Advert represents 2 properties

£218.23, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28360



## Accessible Category C BAHRAM COURT, MINT STREET, E2

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 3rd floor • New build • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Balcony • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. Ready early Jan 2014

Eligibility : Band 3

Advert represents 2 properties

£205.65, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 28361



## Accessible Category F BROKESLEY STREET, E3

Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted • Life Time. Property on ground and basement levels

£198.32, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 28381





Accessible Category F  
ANTILL ROAD, E3

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted • Life Time.  
Flat in a converted house

£169.85, Weekly - Affordable Rent  
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 28377

## AFFORDABLE RENT PROPERTIES

Changes to Government policy mean that Housing Associations have been forced to charge higher rents on some properties. In addition not all tenancies will be tenancies for life.

Please note the rent level and length of tenancy offered on the following homes.

You are advised to check the Homeseekers website at [www.thhs.org.uk](http://www.thhs.org.uk) for further information.

## Reminder

Please respect people's privacy by not attempting to access advertised properties or knocking at neighbouring homes. This causes a nuisance and may distress some individuals.

## ALLOCATIONS SCHEME UPDATE

On the 17th October we went 'live' with the new Allocations Scheme. For full details please visit the Homeseekers website at [thhs.org.uk](http://thhs.org.uk)

## This week's information share

Over the last few weeks, we have been sharing information with you about the changes we are making. We've told you about the three years' continuous residence requirement to join the Housing Register, real time bid positions, penalties for those who refuse three reasonable offers and how you will obtain information on bidding results. This week, we wanted to tell you about the Medical Appeal Process.

Our previous process had a 2-stage appeal. This was

time consuming (and costly) and resulted in people often having to wait 6 months for a decision. This was all the more frustrating because only a tiny proportion of decisions at the 2nd stage differed from the original or 1st stage appeal.

We have now introduced a simplified single stage appeal process that will significantly improve the time it takes for a decision to be reached and, as appropriate, for the increased priority to be awarded

You are bound to want to know more. We are currently putting together a guide to the Allocations Scheme and a set of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ). When these are ready, they will be published on the Homeseekers web site and we will provide you with the link to these in due course.



The London Borough of Tower Hamlets (LBTH) seeks the services of organisations or groups of organisations to deliver health improvement services to residents in Tower Hamlets.

Services currently being advertised are:

Specialist Smoking Services	Reference ESCW (PH) 4464 Contract value £130,000 per year
BME Smoking Services	Reference ESCW (PH) 4550 Contract value £215,000 per year
Fit 4 Life Centre	Reference ESCW (PH) 4661 Contract value £332,000 per year
Fit 4 Life Groups	Reference ESCW (PH) 4660 Contract value £270,000 per year
Fit 4 Life Specialist Adult Weight Management	Reference ESCW (PH) 4457 Contract value £190,000 per year
Health Trainers (4 contracts)	Reference ESCW (PH) 4465 Contract value £275,000 per year

Duration of all contracts will be 3 years with annual renewal/break clause.

Services will be required to follow latest evidence based guidance or agreed best practice. The successful tenderers will be required to demonstrate:

- Community gain and participation in delivery
- Equity of access and delivery across the nine protected characteristics
- Responsiveness to the needs of different groups

Organisations wishing to express their interest are requested to register on the London Tenders Portal via the link below, where the tender documentation will be available for download. You may be required to complete a Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ).

LBTH uses the e-tendering system, the London Tenders Portal, which is free of charge to suppliers and providers.  
(Double-click links on this page or copy and

paste to your web browser)  
<https://www.londontenders.org/procontract/supplier.nsf>

Tenderers are responsible for allowing sufficient time to submit their ITT/PQQ. The Council accepts no liability whatsoever for ITT/PQQs that are not submitted due to internet connectivity issues, transmission delays or errors.

LBTH is an Equal Opportunities Employer and a supporter of Ethical Governance, our protocol can be found here:  
[http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/lgs/801-850/828\\_tenders\\_and\\_contracts/guidance\\_to\\_suppliers\\_and.aspx](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/lgs/801-850/828_tenders_and_contracts/guidance_to_suppliers_and.aspx)

LBTH does not undertake to invite all applicants or bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. LBTH will not be liable for any costs incurred in tendering for these contracts.

**Deadline for expression of interest and / or return of quotation is:**  
**Friday, 15 November 2013**



31 Brady Street, London E1 5DJ  
Website: [swanlea.towerhamlets.sch.uk](http://swanlea.towerhamlets.sch.uk)

### Behaviour Support Worker (with First Aid)

We require candidates with GCSE passes (A\*-C) in both Maths and English

**20 hours per week Term Time only (10:30-14:30 daily)**  
**Commencing January 2014 for 1 year (Maternity Cover)**  
**Salary Scale 3 starting at £9,406 p.a.**

We require an energetic individual to monitor and control pupils' and visitors' access to and around the building. You will need to be firm but fair in your dealings with people. You will be willing to be trained to administer basic First Aid. Fluency in English is a requirement.

**We are looking for**

- highly motivated individuals
- and, it would be an advantage if you already have some experience of working with young people.

To apply please access:

<https://www.teshirewire.com/SwanleaSchool/E15DJ>

**Closing date: 5th November 2013 at 9am**

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

## Public notice

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PREMISES TO BE APPROVED AS A VENUE FOR MARRIAGES UNDER SECTION 26(1)(bb) OF THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS UNDER SECTION 6 (3A)(a) OF THE CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004**

I BERTRAND DIJOUX being the proprietor of LONDON MARRIOTT WEST INDIA QUAY HOTEL & EXECUTIVE APTS

GIVE NOTICE that I have applied to the Proper Officer of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets for approval under the above Act as premises where civil ceremonies may take place.

Any person wishing to inspect the application and plans of the premises may do so at The Register Office, Bromley Public Hall, Bow Road, London E3 3AA Monday to Friday 9.30am-11.30am and 2.00pm-4.30pm.

Any person wishing to object to

**Sanctuary Home Care**  
working with  
**Tower Hamlets Council**  
requires

**COMMUNITY CARERS**

Ref: SHC1357O,  
£7.15 - £9.00ph  
(Dependent on age & shifts)  
Various hours available. We require caring & dedicated staff, experience is preferable but full training up to NVQ / QCF Level 2 in Health & Social Care will be provided

**TEAM LEADERS**

Ref: SHC1356,  
£9.66ph. 37.5hpw  
Team Leaders will have care experience and be able to supervise carers in the community. Applicants fluent in Bengali/Sylheti are especially encouraged in order to meet the needs of a large proportion of the local community.

For full details & to apply please visit

[www.sanctuary-group.co.uk/careers](http://www.sanctuary-group.co.uk/careers)

For assistance, please call the office on  
**0208 983 7183.**

An enhanced DBS will be required which we will pay for.

## Public notice

the grant of approval may do so in writing, with reasons for the objection, within twenty one days of the date of publication of the notice. Objections should be sent to the Proper Officer at the above address.



## INITIAL DEMOLITION NOTICE INITIAL NOTICE

### Section 138A and Schedule 5A of the Housing Act 1985 as amended

- 6-60 Printon House, Wallwood Street, London, E14 7AQ
- 1-24 Linton House, St Pauls Way, London, E3 4AH

This Notice is given by Poplar HARCA Limited of 167a East India Dock Road, London E14 0EA ("the Registered Provider").

The Registered Provider is required by Schedule 5A of the Housing Act 1985 as amended ("the Act") to publish the following information:

#### Intention to Demolish

The Registered Provider intends to demolish the following properties (the "Relevant Premises") which includes the dwelling-house which you occupy:

- 6-60 Printon House, Wallwood Street, London, E14 7AQ
- 1-24 Linton House, St Pauls Way, London, E3 4AH

#### Reason for Demolition

Demolition of the Relevant Premises is necessary for a redevelopment scheme which will include a new primary school providing places for 420 children in 2192 m2 of the highest quality learning space; residential accommodation comprising 12 social rent, 12 shared ownership and 85 private for sale homes; and a cultural facility.

#### Demolition Period

The Registered Provider intends to demolish the Relevant Premises by 3 November 2020 being no more than seven years after the date of service of this Notice and being a reasonable period within which to carry out the proposed demolition.

#### Date by which the initial Demolition Notice shall no longer have effect

This Notice will cease to be in force on 3 November 2020 unless previously revoked under the provisions of Paragraph 3 Schedule 5A of the Act or otherwise terminated.

#### Effect of the Initial Demolition Notice

Whilst this Notice remains in force the Registered Provider will not be under any obligation to make such a grant as is mentioned in Section 138(1) of the Act in respect of any claim made by you to exercise the Right-to-Buy or Right-to-Acquire in respect of any of the Relevant Premises.

This Notice does not prevent:-

- you from making a claim to exercise the Right-to-Buy or Right-to-Acquire
- you taking such steps pursuant to Part V of the Act in connection with any such claim up to the point of operation of Section 138 (1) of the Act

(iii) the operation of Section 138 (1) of the Act in most circumstances when this Notice ceases to be in force but If the Registered Provider subsequently serves a Final Demolition Notice in respect of the Relevant Premises, the Right-to-Buy and Right-to-Acquire will not arise in respect of the Relevant Premises while that Notice is in force and any existing claim will cease to be effective.

The suspension of the Right-to-Buy and Right-to-Acquire will not affect valid applications made before 18 January 2005.

#### Right to Compensation

You may have a right to compensation under Section 138C of the Act in respect of certain expenditure incurred if at the time when this Notice is served on you there is already an existing claim to exercise the Right-to-Buy or Right-to-Acquire in respect of your property. In such circumstances if within the period of three months beginning with the date when the Initial Notice comes into force ("the Operative Date") you serve on the Registered Provider a written notice claiming an amount of compensation, the Registered Provider shall pay that amount to you.

Compensation is in respect of expenditure reasonably incurred by you before the Operative Date in respect of legal and other fees and other professional costs and expenses payable in connection with the exercise by you of the Right-to-Buy or Right-to-Acquire.

Your claim must be accompanied by original receipts or other documents showing that you have incurred the expenditure in question.

The Operative Date of this notice is 4 November 2013 being the date a copy of this notice was served on the tenants of the Relevant Premises.

Further information about this Notice is obtainable from Poplar HARCA on 0800 035 1991 or at 167a East India Dock Road, E14 0EA or at [info@poplarharca.co.uk](mailto:info@poplarharca.co.uk).

Signed

Andrea Baker, Director of Housing  
Dated: 4 November 2013



## Public notices

### CROSSRAIL WORKS CROSSRAIL ACT 2008 ROAD CLOSURE

Stepney Green, E1, will be closed to traffic between

Whitehorse Lane, and the junction with Redmans Road, from Monday 28th October until Saturday 2nd November. This will allow the contractor to connect the valve to the water

main. Please follow local diversion.

**CROSSRAIL HELPDESK  
(24HR HELPLINE):  
0345 602 3813**

## Jobs & training advertisements (continued from p31)



Tower Hamlets Community Housing (THCH) is a medium sized housing association with an excellent track record of refurbishing estates and improving services operating exclusively in Tower Hamlets. Formed in 2000, we currently manage over 3,000 homes of which 1100 are leasehold.

### Income Recovery Officer

(S01 - £28,224 to £29,868)

Plus benefits including Social Housing Pension Scheme

We are looking for an experienced; customer focused individual, with strong grounding in income collection, arrears prevention and excellent communication skills, to work in the Income Recovery Team. The role involves monitoring arrears, ensuring effective action is taken and supporting tenants with appropriate advice to help maintain tenancies. The successful candidate will have a solid understanding of legislation and experience of working in a busy office environment, with proven IT skills.

If you are interested please visit [www.thch.org.uk/vacancies](http://www.thch.org.uk/vacancies) to download an application pack or call 020 7780 3070 to request a pack by post.

Applications to be sent to:

285 Commercial Road,  
Stepney, London E1 2PS  
by 5pm on  
Friday 8th November 2013.



### Job Advertisement

#### Opportunity Zone HUB

Ref: APA/OZ/1013

**Deputy Manager (Full Time)** Salary: NJC pay scales 5 - 6

**Transition and Development Officer (Part Time; 21 hours)** Salary: NJC pay scales 4 - 5

**Team Leader (Full Time)** Salary: NJC pay scales 2 - 3

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Please apply online at [www.apasenth.org.uk](http://www.apasenth.org.uk) or email at [recruitment@apasenth.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@apasenth.org.uk) for application pack and information.

Section 5(2) d of the Race Relations Act 1976 apply. The post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and subject to a CRB disclosure check.

**Closing Date: Friday 15 November 2013**



## Public notices

### THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1) TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC - SALTER STREET E14

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets proposes to make an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in:

- Salter Street for a distance of approximately 70 metres to the northern-most end of Salter Street from its junction with Trinidad Street;
- Salter Street (in the northbound direction only) between its junction with Westferry Road and its junction with Limehouse Causeway.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable essential works to be carried out on the public highway by JSM Construction Limited.

The alternative route for vehicular traffic will be via Westferry Road and West India Dock Road.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Monday 4th November 2013 until Sunday 24th November 2013 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to John Parsons, Street Works Liaison Officer, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6680 or email, [john.parsons@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:john.parsons@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

**Dated: 28th October 2013**

**JAMIE BLAKE  
SERVICE HEAD,  
PUBLIC REALM  
MULBERRY PLACE  
5 CLOVE CRESCENT  
LONDON E14 2BG**

### THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC (WEAVERS FIELDS "FIREWORKS" EVENT) ORDER 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets made the above-mentioned Order under Section 16(A) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended by Special Events Act 1994). The effect of the Order will be to prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping and proceeding:

1. Between 18:00 hours to 19:30 hours in
  - a) Vallance Road between its junction with Bethnal Green Road and its junction with Dunbridge Street;
  - b) Dunbridge Street, east of its junction with Vallance Road;
  - c) Hemming Street at its junction with Dunbridge Street.
2. Between 17:00 hours and 20:00 hours in
  - a) Seabright Street, Viaduct Place, Viaduct Street, Hague Street and Derbyshire Street at their

- junctions with Bethnal Green Road;
- b) Derbyshire Street and Voss Street at its junctions with Vallance Road;
  - c) Chester Street;
  - d) Kelsey Street;
  - e) Mape Street;
  - f) Menotti Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable the annual fireworks celebrations to take place in Weavers Fields.

Access will be provided for Police, Fire and Ambulance vehicles in an emergency or access may also be provided with the permission of a Police Officer in uniform.

The Order will operate on Sunday 3rd November 2013 and at times when temporary traffic signs and cones are placed on the public highway. If you require any further details, please contact Pip Thomas, Festival and Events Officer on 0207 364 7913 or e-mail [pip.thomas@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:pip.thomas@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

**Dated: 28th October 2013**

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

### THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 16(A)

### TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC ("FUN IN THE PARK, Sikh Style" in HARLEY GROVE) Order 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets made the above-mentioned Order under Section 16(A) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended by Special Events Act 1994). The effect of the Order will be to prohibit vehicular traffic from proceeding in Harley Grove to the northern end from its junction with Benworth Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable the fireworks celebrations, Sikh style, to take place in the Open Park adjacent Harley Grove which is also north of Benworth Street.

As Harley Grove is a cul-de-sac there are no suitable alternative routes for vehicular traffic.

Access will be provided for Police, Fire and Ambulance vehicles in an emergency or access may also be provided with the permission of a Police Officer in uniform.

The Order will operate on Sunday 3rd November 2013 between 14:00 hours and 18:00 hours and at times when temporary traffic signs and cones are placed on the public highway.

If you require any further details please contact Alison Denning, Festival and Events Officer on 0207 364 7907 or e-mail [alison.denning@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:alison.denning@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

**Dated: 28th October 2013**

**JAMIE BLAKE  
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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990, SECTIONS 10, 67 AND 73

APPLICATIONS FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT AND APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT WHICH WOULD IN THE OPINION OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY AFFECT THE CHARACTER OR APPEARANCE OF AN AREA DESIGNATED AS A CONSERVATION AREA OR WOULD AFFECT THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS IS CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS:

52 Market Way, London, E14 6AH PA/13/1036/BMC  
Proposed installation of replacement glazed shopfront and replacement of existing fascia and projecting signs.

1-39, Albert Gardens, London PA/13/2379/GMA  
The Insertion of Velux smoke vents at head of stairwells

1 Eaton Terrace, Aberavon Road, London, E3 5AJ PA/13/2293/PLA  
Conversion of a dwelling house to form two flats consisting of 1 x 4 beds and 1 x 1 bed accommodation, creation of front lightwell and excavation of the rear garden to provide amenity space for basement flat.

Rear of 102 Coborn Road, London, E3 2DG PA/13/2323/KFL  
Part-demolition and re-build of boundary wall and railings to 102 Coborn Road and erection of roadside kiosk.

Site At Former Goodmans Fields at South East Junction of Leman Street And Alie Street, Alie Street, London PA/13/1999&2000/RGH  
Display for a limited period of four static, non illuminated advertisements hoardings on Alie Street / Commercial Road and Alie Steet / Leman Street. Display for a limited period of three static, non illuminated, monflex banners on Leman Street and the corner of Alie Street & Leman Street.

1 Commercial Street, London E1 PA/13/2144/MCH  
The installation of 5 internally illuminated fascia signs and 1 projecting sign.

The Canopy, 145 Three Colt Street, London PA/13/2355/BMC  
The demolition of internal walls and single storey extension to facilitate the erection of an additional storey on the existing building, a central four storey element and two x three storey townhouses. The the upper floors of the existing building, additional storey and central element would be split into 4 flats and would include a roof terrace, the ground floor of the building and basement would remain in commercial use.

2 White Church Lane, London, E1 7QR PA/13/2420/GMA  
Retention of a canopy addition at the side of property

St Anne’s Row, Rear of 799-801 Commercial Road, London, E14 7HG PA/13/2421/AE  
Application for planning application for relevant demolition.

The Watermans Arms Public House, 1 Glenaffric Avenue, London, E14 3BW PA/13/1832&2276/SAE  
Demolition of existing two storey extension and blocking up of openings in boundary wall plus formation of a patio area

Kilmore House, 2 Vesey Path, London PA/13/2383/BMC  
Advertisement Consent sought for: illuminated wall mounted sign (7000mm x 8000mm) on west side elevation of Kilmore House.

108A Mile End Road, London, E1 4UN PA/13/1383/SHA  
Conversion of existing roof into mansard roof with front and rear dormers.

Ground floor, 264 Globe Road, London, E2 0JD PA/13/1859/KFL  
The proposal for a new timber framed shop front including glazed entrance door and internal shutter

10 Tredegar Road, London, E3 2EH PA/13/2377/SHA  
Demolition of existing single storey dilapidated rear extension and construction of a new single storey rear extension 3m in depth. To the lower ground floor there will also be the relocation of the rear double doors to the side elevation and to install a window where the doors were. Where the doors will be relocated to a window is now present.

6-8 Coborn Road, London, E3 2DA PA/13/2287/PLA  
Erection of single storey side extension to existing kitchen at rear with new extract system. Demolition of existing side extension at rear and erection of new extension to form new orangery dining area and herb garden. Erection of single storey side/rear extension to existing bar with ladies, gents and disabled facilities. Installation of new a/c units and condensers onto existing flat roof.

THE FOLLOWING ARE HOUSEHOLDER APPLICATIONS AND IN THE EVENT OF AN APPEAL AGAINST A REFUSAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION, WHICH IS TO BE DEALT WITH ON THE BASIS OF REPRESENTATIONS IN WRITING, ANY REPRESENTATIONS MADE ABOUT THESE APPLICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE, AND THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AT APPEAL STAGE.

362F Old Ford Road, London, E3 5TA PA/13/2391/KFL  
Internal and external alterations to existing flat include: -Loft conversion to provide new separate bedroom/ensuite. -Light provided to proposed bedroom/ensuite via dormer window to the rear (canal side) and two flush conservation roof lights to the front (North) of existing roof. -Minor internal alterations to first floor to provide open plan kitchen/living/dining space.

10 Jebb Street, London, E3 2TL PA/13/2143/AHO  
Rear extension and replacement windows on the front and rear building elevations.

11 Campbell Road, London, E3 4DS PA/13/2280/SAE  
Replace existing awning-style windows with timber-framed, double-glazed, box sash windows

Copies of the applications and plans may be inspected between the hours of 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday at the Planning Department, Mulberry Place, Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG. The information will also be available on the Council's web site at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk. If you respond by email, please tell us your postal address.

Any person who wishes to make representations relating to any of these applications should do so, in writing, within a period of 21 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Development Control Manager at the above address.

Dated: 28th October 2013

OWEN WHALLEY  
HEAD OF PLANNING AND BUILDING CONTROL



Public notices

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 SECTION 14(1) TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – SHANDY STREET E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets proposes to make an Order which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of

carriageway in Shandy Street between its junction with Duckett Street and its junction with White Horse Lane. The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable essential carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out on the public highway by LBTH. The alternative route for vehicular traffic will be via White Horse Lane, Ernest Street and Duckett Street and vice versa. The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Monday 18th November 2013 to Monday 2nd December 2013 and at

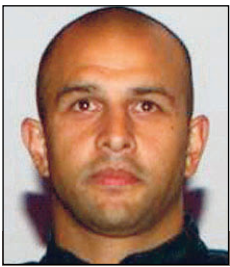
times when traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002. Please refer any queries you have regarding the above traffic restriction to Mike Arnold, Street Scene Engineer, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6868 or email mike.arnold@towerhamlets.gov.uk Dated: 28th October 2013 JAMIE BLAKE SERVICE HEAD, PUBLIC REALM

MULBERRY PLACE 5 CLOVE CRESCENT LONDON E14 2BG MARINE AND COASTAL ACCESS ACT 2009 APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RIVER WALL REPAIRS AT THE TOWER OF LONDON NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Historic Royal Palaces have applied to the Marine Management Organisation under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009,

Part 4, for a marine licence to undertake temporary river wall repairs in front of the Tower of London. Plans showing the position of the works may be inspected at: Tower Hamlets Council Town Hall Mulberry Place 5 Clove Crescent E14 2BG Copies of the Application and associated information may be viewed on line in the Public Register at www.marine management.org.uk/publicregister Representations or objections in respect of the application should

be made in writing, giving an address to which correspondence relating to the representation or objection may be sent, to the Marine Management Organisation, Lancaster House, Hampshire Court, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 7YH, or alternatively emailed to Mark.Herbert@marinemanagement.org.uk, within 28 days of 23rd October 2013, quoting reference MLA/2013/00389. The Marine Management Organisation will pass to the applicant a copy of any objection or representation we receive.





## Coach Uddin

Ex-West Ham player Anwar Uddin is back with the club as a coach.

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## Girls are a world class act

Tower Hamlets Girls' football team proved themselves one of the top three teams in the world, despite losing to Denmark in the semi-finals of the MTG United for Peace tournament.

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## Sport

### Sport in brief

#### Double header at home for Lions

**LONDON** Lions are hoping to find that winning formula again this weekend after their bright start to the season went sour.

It all looked good when they won their first two matches in the British Basketball League – and then they came crashing back to earth with an 83-73 defeat away to Durham Wildcats, followed by a 62-63 home defeat to Worcester Wolves.

It's still early days and only two points separate them from leaders Sheffield so this weekend's two home matches against Plymouth Raiders (Friday) and Glasgow Rocks (Sunday) could see them back to winning form. The Raiders and The Rocks are just two points behind the Lions.

#### Lynx take on the world in Germany

**EAST London Lynx** sitting volleyball team will compete in an international match this weekend.

The Lynx, who train at Bishop Challoner school every Thursday, are sending a team to the 39th International Sitting-Volleyball-tournament in Nienburg, Germany, on Saturday and Sunday.

East London Lynx have 11 members who are full members of the GB sitting volleyball Paralympic squad and two who are members of the GB youth development standing squad able bodied.

#### Venus run riot at Millwall Park

**MILLWALL Venus 38 LSE**

MILLWALL Venus ran out against LSE at Millwall Park for their first friendly of the season and are looking to overcome a defeat from the last campaign.

Venus scored their first try via a great solo run from Number 8, Michelle Gavagan, also her first Millwall try, straight from the back of a scrum. Natalie Valishvili put the ball over for the extra two points.

Claire Vigier later scored a try from a great pass from Jo Sicler.

However, this was by no means a one-sided match as LSE defended bravely and also made a number of attempts to go over the line.

LSE were little more than spectators as Valishvili scored her first Millwall try.

Andrea Bielska scored a hat trick with apparent ease and Shavoune Mills was unlucky to have a try disallowed after running through a number of players with speed and strength.

Shavoune did however receive the player of the match award for her efforts.

#### Awards night

THE London Tigers charity, based in Gillender Street, Poplar, is holding its awards night at The Waterlily, 68 Mile End Road this Tuesday, October 29.

The ceremony involves more than 500 people from over 60 nations as well as local MPs, councillors and TV and sports personalities.

# Doctor Oghur prescribes some painful medicines

BY PETER FAULKNER

**PATIENTS at the Royal London Hospital, Whitechapel, know Oghor Obakponovwe as a knee surgeon with a caring touch.**

But Oghor has a meaner side – dishing out medicine of a different kind in the boxing ring.

The man known as Big O, a heavyweight with Stepney's Broad Street Club, is carving out a name for himself in the ring.

At the weekend Big O gave proof of his developing talent when he fought twice in the semi-finals and finals of the London Novice championships at Lewisham and he picked up his first major title with two clear points victories.

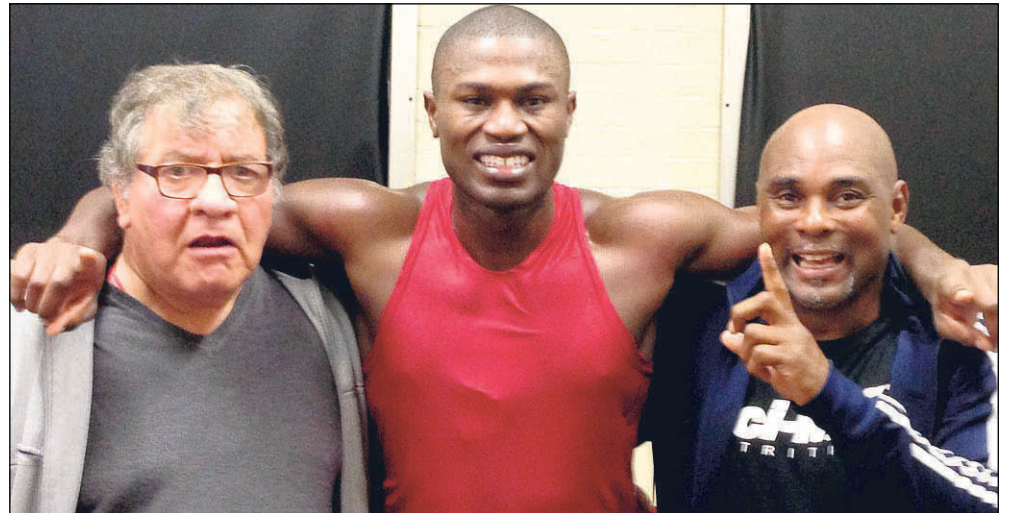
On the way to the final he beat Dave Bowen of Dale Youth and in the final he beat I Noiui of the Territorial Army. He now goes forward to the national quarter finals on November 16.

Repton's Jordan Blake was beaten in the semi-finals

#### Six for Repton

THERE was good news for Repton's cohort of boxers at the London NABC championships in Harlow.

The Bethnal Green club fin-



Oghur with club coaches Johnny Gleed, left, and Tony Stamford

ished with six champions, but three of them – Harvey Horn, Sunny Edwards and James Branch – received byes.

Kwaku Sarpong is also through after boxing twice and putting up a fine performances in the final. Both Joe Kelleher and Jordan Flynn boxed well to take their respective titles.

Only loser was Romario Wallace who lost a semi-final. The boxers will all be in action again on November 6 at the quarter finals in Bognor.

#### Turner takes title

**EAST London's Freddie Turner** won the Southern Area light-middleweight title by outpoint-

ing Nathan Graham in one of the fights of the year at Bethnal Green's York Hall.

It was only Turner's third fight and the Trad TKO gym prospect got a standing ovation at the end. It was such a close fight that the verdict was in doubt till the final round. A rematch could be on the cards.

Turner had to climb off the canvas to win, but there was a strange incident during the fight and this may have helped Turner to become champion.

After being put down Turner looked shaken, but before Graham could continue, the referee asked Turner to put his gumshield back in after it had flown out of the ring.

The delay in finding allowed Turner to get his head together.

#### Cut ends dream

**REPTON** flyweight Charlie Edwards saw his title dream die at the AIBA World Championships in Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Edwards won his first contest in style putting Nigeria's Olayinka Yussef down twice before getting a conclusive points win.

But in the next contest he was stopped in just under two minutes against Kenya's Simon Nziozi with a cut eye.

It was a bitter blow for Edwards who was one of the favourites to win a world crown.

## Public notices

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14 (1)**  
**TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – RICARDO STREET E14**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets made an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in Ricardo Street between its junction with the western

kerb-line of Kerbey Street and its junction with the eastern kerb-line of Bygrove Street. The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable the construction of a speed table and kerb build-outs to be carried out on the public highway by LBTH. The alternative routes for vehicular traffic will be via Kerbey Street, Cordelia Street, Upper North Street and Ricardo Street or Ricardo Street, Bygrove Street, Grundy Street and Kerbey Street and vice versa. The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Monday 4th November 2013 for a period of up to three weeks and at times when temporary traffic

signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002. Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to Ian Powell, Street Scene Engineer, Improvement Works Group, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6801 or email ian.powell@towerhamlets.gov.uk  
**Dated: 28th October 2013**  
**JAMIE BLAKE**  
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**LONDON E14 2BG**

## Carr and Uddin see talent coming through

### Football

**BOW-born Tony Carr, MBE, academy director at West Ham United, and Anwar Uddin, one of his discoveries, say Bangladeshi players will soon hit the big time.**

Carr and Uddin helped celebrate the achievements of young Bangladeshi footballers at the BFA's 17th annual awards evening recently and both still retain close ties with the BFA.

Carr, who recently celebrated

40 unbroken years with The Hammers, has unearthed a string of stars during his career but Uddin is still the only player of Bangladeshi origin to play in the Football League.

But Carr is confident of others following in his footsteps.

He said: "The likes of Anwar had a good football education with us and he definitely won't be the last Bangladeshi footballer to make the grade.

"It's just a matter of time and my advice is simple – keep practising, keep working hard and you

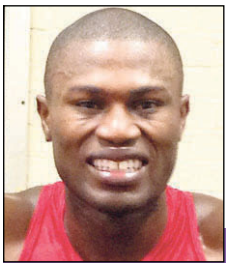
never know who's watching."

Uddin, himself now a part-time coach with the Hammers' academy, patron of the BFA and head of the Sporting Bengal Academy, agrees.

He said: "I see no reason why we can't have a crop of young Asians making the grade in the Championship, League One, League Two, and even non-league football.

"Nothing would make me prouder than to play a hand in delivering a crop of ready-made footballers to mainstream football."





## Surgeon is a boxing champion

Royal London Hospital knee surgeon Oghor Obakponovwe, left, became a heavyweight boxing champion last week when he won the London Novices title.

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## Tell the East End

Do you have a sports club you would like to be included in our listings? If so email the details to...

EASTENDLIFE.NEWS@TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK

## Sport

### Soccer round-up

#### Tunjie debut double

##### Athletic Club Woodside o FC Hamlets 4

FC HAMLETS maintained their run of clean sheets with a comfortable win over bottom-of-the-table Woodside, to continue their push for the title.

It took Hamlets just ten minutes for debutant Tunjie to open the scoring.

With 25 minutes gone FC Hamlets should have been three or four goals clear, but wasted chance after chance.

Then out of nowhere centre-back Kevin Baudler made a run through the midfield and fired the ball into the back of the net from about 25 yards out.

Half-time was approaching and with Hamlets keeper Nick Pyne a virtual spectator, Tunjie extended the lead to 3-0.

With ten minutes to go, John Gilroy, returning from injury, replaced Joe Pette and after a one-two with Allan Smith cut in from the left to score from 15 yards.

For more information, news, fixtures, results and tables visit [www.fchamlets.co.uk](http://www.fchamlets.co.uk)

#### Reama reverse

EAST London Sunday Football League Premier Division leaders Reama were beaten 3-2 by Royals, their first defeat of the season, while Byron Athletic came out on top 4-2 against Springfield.

Division One: Queensbridge won 9-1 against Young Prince; St Lucia beat Internacional 3-1; Arbour ran out 5-2 winners against Cranes; and C S Romania lost 3-1 to Hackney Downs.

Division Two: Cardigan got their first win of the season, 4-3 against Castrillon; New Ward Virtue beat Chettle Court Rangers 8-2; and AC Nightingale lost 5-0 to Hale Rangers, who maintain their unbeaten record.

For more information, news, fixtures, results and tables visit [www.eastlondonsundayfootballleague.co.uk](http://www.eastlondonsundayfootballleague.co.uk)

#### Missed chances cost Westward

##### Westward Boys u-15 o Woodford Youth Town 3

WESTWARD Boys missed the opportunity to go top of the

under-15 Echo League B Division in a match at Victoria Park where they dominated possession, but failed to put their chances away.

Woodford were under the kosh early on, but broke out on 20 minutes to open the scoring.

A well-worked free kick early in the second half doubled the Woodford advantage, before Haynes, Ali, Donkoh, Duggan, Mohammed and Lewis were all denied by the visitors' keeper.

The game was killed off by a late counter attack goal and midfield dynamos Aidoo and Williams are unlikely to work as hard again and end on the losing side.

#### First win for Newark

NEWARK Youth earned their first three points of the season in the Community Football League beating Shadwell in a thrilling 3-2 encounter.

Newark took the lead early in the first half but by half-time they were losing 2-1.

They came out fighting in the second half and scored two goals for their first victory. They also had two goals disallowed.

Biggest scorers of the week-end were SOUL who hit a magnificent 10 goals past London Central, while close behind were Ace who scored eight against Abohoni.

Week 5 results: E7 Probashi 4 FC Bengals 5, Abohoni 3 ACE 8, SOUL ten London Central 1, Poplar Utd 2 SYA 4, West Ham SC 2 Mohammedan SC 6, Newark 3 Shadwell 2, Shoreditch 1 East One 6.

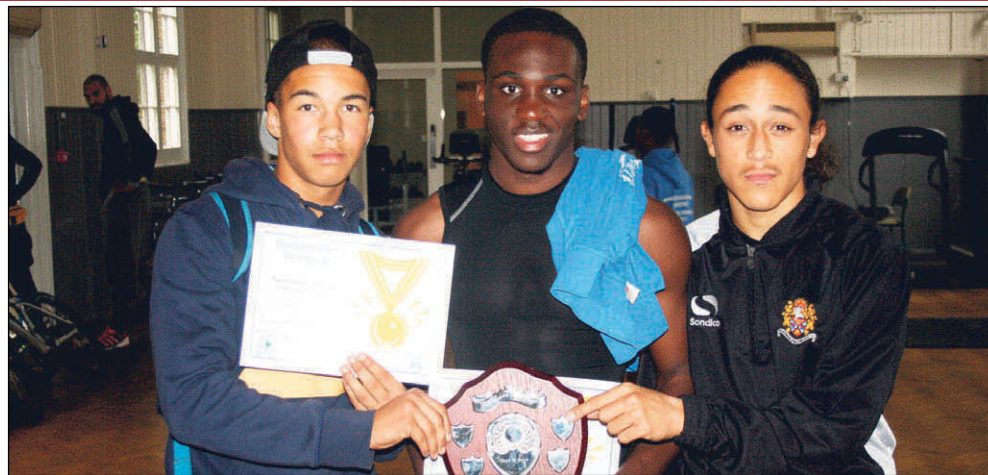
#### Uni player plea

THE University of East London Football Club will be competing in the BUCS League this season and are always looking for players.

Last season the first team won the BUCS League and cup for the second time, while the second and third teams were runners-up in the league.

If you want to join the club contact them via email on [enquiries@sportsdock.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@sportsdock.co.uk).

If you don't want to play but fancy being a match reporter or photographer get in touch using the same address.



Lewis Grantham, Ajibola Orionishe and Jodi Jones



Hillary Adams, Joanna Valena and Christelle van Seabroeke Bous

### Schools' athletics

BISHOP Challoner School reign supreme on the cross country track for the second year in succession.

Both the girls and boys groups won the annual Tower Hamlets Youth Sports Association event at Victoria Park, just as they did in 2012. There was a mixed level of runners among the 240 who took part, but all worked hard. Children in years 7-9 ran 2km, while the older pupils ran 3km.

Bishop Challoner boys and girls took both shields with Morpeth close behind. Abdal Ahmed, of Tower Hamlets Youth Sports Foundation, said: "It's great to see so many pupils taking part."

I would like to thank Victoria Park Harriers and Tower Hamlets Athletic Club for their support in making this event such a success." Next is the primary schools cross country championships.

# Captain Cooper leads the way for Wapping

BY PETER FAULKNER

Wisbech o Wapping 4

**AWAY games rarely encourage the same level of enthusiasm as those at Fortress Mile End for Wapping Hockey Club's men's first team, but after a debacle the previous weekend there was noticeable eagerness to get back into the swing of things.**

Wapping dominated for the first ten minutes and this paid off when, after concerted pressure down both flanks from Davies and Bates, Salvesson was found in the corner of the D with time and space to pick a pass to captain Olly Cooper, who slotted home from two yards.

The away side continued to press following the goal, but

with dominance came complacency for Wapping and the last ten minutes of the first half saw the home side miss several good chances.

After a re-grouping at half-time the momentum was shifted in Wapping's favour once more within a matter of seconds.

Cooper was again involved, getting on the end of a ball in from the right wing and forcing a save from the Wisbech keeper, who was helpless as forward Grant Aidoo-Nash scrambled home the loose ball.

Aidoo-Nash deflected home their third, possibly off his right foot, but despite Wisbech protests, which saw their keeper sin-binned, both umpires agreed the goal should stand.

The timing was crucial, coming soon after Wapping were re-

duced to ten men when veteran forward Rory Heaslip saw yellow for a poorly timed tackle.

Heaslip immediately made amends for his error on his return to the field, adeptly converting a short corner.

■ **East London 2 Stevenage 1** TWO first-half goals from debutant Victoria Stack gave East London's ladies victory in driving rain at Mile End.

Stack produced two neat finishes to set East London on their way, but a scrappy Stevenage goal took the wind out of their sails just before half-time.

Stevenage fought back hard in the second half and East London had their goalkeeper Sammy Jones to thank for a string of penalty corner saves.

The Men's 1st team had a

more comfortable afternoon, beating old rivals Southend 5-1 to keep hold of top spot in Division Two.

Adam Willoughby's unbeaten side came flying out of the blocks with goals from Henry Emery and Adam Lord before Steve Canwell tucked away a third just before half time.

A goal just after the break gave Southend a glimmer of hope but, after weathering a spell of pressure, two quick-fire strikes from Dave Polley put the result beyond doubt.

The club had a strong week-end overall with nine wins and two defeats. The men's second team got among the goals with an 8-2 win at Romford while the ladies' third team had a memorable 1-0 win over top-of-the-table Old Loughtonians.





**Turner's title**  
East London's Freddie Turner, left, is the new area boxing champion.

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**Cross country champions again**

Bishop Challoner's girls, left, and boys won the annual Tower Hamlets Youth Sports Association cross country event at Victoria Park, for the second successive year.

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## Girls come third in international football contest

BY PETER FAULKNER

**TOWER Hamlets Girls' football team had plenty to be proud even though their dream of winning the MTG United for Peace world trophy ended in a penalty shoot-out drama.**

The team, coached by Ashley Jones and Koyes Aziz, had qualified for the finals in Boson, Sweden, after winning the UK United for Peace championships in June – the third successive year they have been crowned champions.

Competing as the United Kingdom, they were on target to replicate their success in 2011 when they agonisingly lost the final 1-0 to Sweden.

This time round, they won their group, remaining unbeaten and proving themselves to be one of the best sides in the competition.

The group success came after they beat Ghana 1-0, reigning champions Sweden 2-0, then drew 1-1 with Norway and 0-0 with Denmark.

The draw paired them with Denmark again in the semi-final. Again the teams could not be separated, so it came down to penalties, with the Tower Hamlets girls losing 2-0.

But despite this hard-to-take defeat, the Tower Hamlets girls, can call themselves the third best team in the world, a truly magnificent achievement.

Denmark went on to be crowned world champions, beating Ghana – the team Tower Hamlets had earlier

defeated in the group stages.

Coach Jones said: "The girls who missed were inconsolable. "They were in tears for three hours after the event, but I have nothing but praise for the whole team.

"They were really magnificent. I am not being biased when I say that we were the best team in the tournament by far and to finish third in the world is unbelievable.

"I could not have asked for more and they should feel proud of what they have achieved."

The team are no strangers to success. Following their 2011 efforts, last year they won several local tournaments, they again won the UK MTG Peace

heats, beating Spurs Ladies and completed a memorable double by winning the London Youth Games title.

And the team owe a lot to both Jones and Aziz, who give up their time voluntarily.

Tower Hamlets Girls qualified after going unbeaten in six matches during the UK event.

They are: **Danniela Linami** (Central foundation for Girls School), **Elizabeth Todd** (Grey Coats), **Ocean Lewis** (Grey Coats), **Jessica Appeagyei** (Bishop Challoner), **Nia John** (Raine's), **Lavinia Hunte** (Central foundation for Girls), **Sindi Kanto** (Sir John Cass), **Darcey Houstien** (Raine's), **Shernelle Francois** (Bishop Challoner).



The girls with coaches Koyes Aziz and Ashley Jones

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